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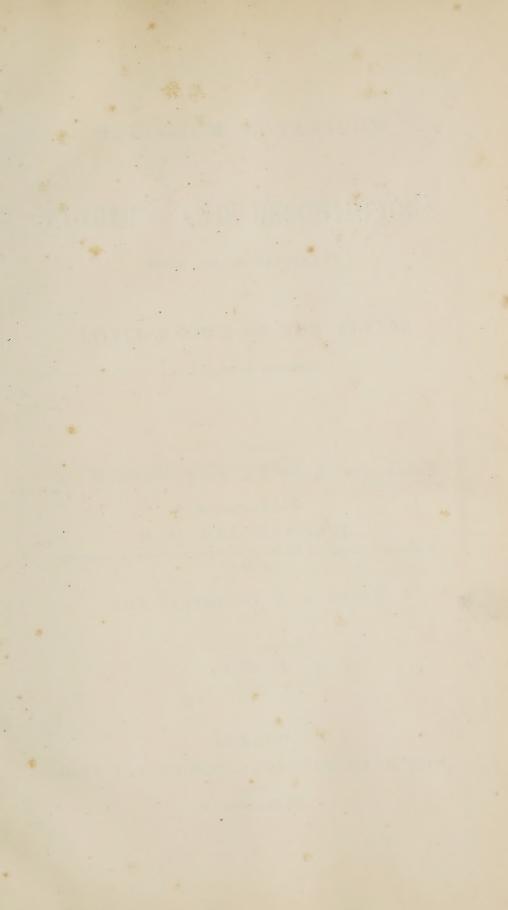




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LITTLE KNOWN OR NEW PLANTS

OF BOTANICAL INTEREST.

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Physurus pictus, Lindl.

TAB. 73.

Tribe NEOTTIACEÆ. Genus Physurus, L. C. Rich.

P. FICTUS (Lindl. Gen. s. Syn. Orchid. 504!) Caule abbreviato ascendente, foliis rosulatis petiolatis cuneato-cordatove oblongis acutis superne varie reticulatis seu argyreo-disciferis, pedunculo elongato puberulo vaginis acutis ad quinque, raceme densifloro, bracteis triangulo-acuminatis uninerviis hyalinis glandipilibus ovaria incurva glandipilia æquantibus, sepalis ligulatis acutis extus calvis, seu supra nervum medium glandipilibus, tepalis cuneato-spatulatis acutiusculis sepalo dorsali appressis, labello columnæ basi adnato trifido, laciniis lateralibus parte libera angulatis, lacinia media flabellata emarginato biloba, calcari a basi attenuato fusiformi acuto, ovarium pedicellatum subæquante, columnæ rostello triangulo bidentato.—Lindl. in Bot. Reg. 1444, 61! Microchilus pictus, Morren, Ann. Soc. de Gard. 1845, tab. 18! Ophrys argentacea, Vellozo, Flumin, ix. t. 61!

This Brazilian plant would appear to have been discovered by Herr von Martius! near Mandiocca and Boto Fogo, also near Capocabara: we saw his specimens. Prince Max von Neu Wied! found it near Rio Belmonte. Luphnath! collected it in the woods of Capocabona (perhaps the same as Martius' Capocabara) on decayed leaves. Beyrich! gathered it near Novo Friborgo. A. de Chamisso! found it near St. Catherine. Riedel! collected it near Mand (so they wrote the place on the label of the plant given from St. Petersburg Botanic Garden) and Rio Janeiro; collected also there by Gaudichaud!

Roots terete, acute, villous. Stems short, ascending, with a few rosulate leaves. Leaves petiolate, the petioles partly sheathing at their base, cuneate-oblong, acute, adorned on the upper surface with silvery net-work or a silvery disk. Common flower-stalk glandular-hairy, elongated, with generally five acute hairy short distant sheaths. Raceme many-flowered. Flowers crowded. Bracts lanceolate-acuminate, one-nerved, glandular-hairy outside, nearly equalling in length the curved stalked ovary, covered with glandular hairs. Perigone milk-white. Sepals and tepals with a median black streak in the middle, seldom reaching to the base, never to the tips, quite smooth outside, or with a few glandular

hairs on the middle lines; sepals ligulate-acute, the lateral ones broad; tepals spathulate-acute, under the dorsal sepal. Lip adnate to the base of column, trifid in its free protracted part; side-laciniæ angulate, middle one cuneate-obovate emarginate, some with a little apiculus. Spur fusiform, equalling or nearly equalling the stalked ovary. Column short, with a protracted triangular bidentate rostellar process.

There are various settings of this vegetable gem, quite a rival of Malayan and Indian Anecochili. Sometimes all the leaves are dark green, with silver reticulations over the leaves; at other times the leaves are quite covered with a silver hue, and only the margin is dark green with some silver net-work. And then there are intermediate types. We felt so pleased with these variations, that we established a variety called holargyrus, with the great silver disk; and one called reticularis, for that with complete net-work (Rchb. fil. in Catalog. der Orchideen Sammlung ron G. W. Schiller, Hamburg, 1857; p. 59 and plate of Orchid. Brasil. inedit.) Yet these are but transitory states, developing from reasons we do not know. Mr. Green, the able Saundersian gardener, has observed such transitions as well as ourselves.

Materials:—Fourteen specimens, including wild ones, from all named collectors, except Von Martius; sketches made since 1846; living specimens in the garden.

Tab 73.—Plant. 1, 2, two leaves, both with a silvery disk; 3, flower, front view+; 4, flower, side view+; 5, the same, with sepals and tepals cut+; 6, column and lips, seen from the back of column+.—H. G. R. f.

A small but beautiful plant, with variously variegated leaves and clear white flowers. The varieties of foliage are noticed by Prof. Reichenbach, and these are all naturally produced, being from plants sent from the vicinity of Rio by the late Mr. D. Bowman. Seeing how prone the plant is to variation in the markings on the leaves, there is little doubt but many interesting varieties might be obtained, if seedlings from any of the varieties could be procured. The plant thrives well when grown in small pots, and having a mixture of light turfy loam and sand, well mixed with a little sphagnum, to root into. It should be placed in a warm shady damp part of the stove, and requires a season of rest after the growth is made.—W. W. S.

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J.N. Fitch imp.

TAB. 74.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Oncidium, Sw. Section Miltoniastrum.

O. Retemeyerianum (Rchb. fil. in v. Mohl. and v. Schlechtendal, Bot. Zeit. 1856, 513!). Pseudobulbo obsoleto, folio carnoso basi cuneato complicato oblongo acuto seu acuminato, pedunculo longe exserto racemoso, ramulis abbreviatis distantibus nunc suppositis, bracteis lineari-triangulis dein deflexis, perigonio bene carnoso, sepalis tepalisque oblongis apiculatis, nunc æqualibus, nunc tepalis multo majoribus, labello pandurato disco postico quinque papuloso, disco antico radiato striato, columnæ alis obtusatis deflexis.

Most probably a Mexican species. We obtained the first specimen in 1856, from Bremen, out of M. Retemeyer's garden, to whom the species was inscribed. It flowered, in 1857, with M. Chantin, of Paris, bearing very long inflorescences, with short and distant lateral racemes, as they are to be found in *Epidendrum fuscatum*. At length it appeared, in August, 1866, in Mr. Wilson Saunders' garden, where we have lately seen the plant in good health.

Pseudobulb nearly obsolete, consisting of two or three parts, oblong, and very remarkable for its throwing out aërial roots from the surface of the joints, as we have ascertained in M. Retemeyer's plant. Leaf solitary, cuneate, oblong-acute or acuminate, more or less keeled on the inferior side, very thick, covered all over with a purplish or purplish violet hue. Peduncle stout, with a few distant acute sheaths, purplish with innumerable green dots. Raceme with three to fourteen flowers. Bracts acutely triangular, finally bending down so as to give the raceme a squarrose appearance, one-third to one-half of the stalked ovary. The flower is of a fleshy substance, and has reminded us of Cottonia peduncularis, Rchb. f. 1857 (Thwaites, 1864), probably in consequence of the very dark lip. Sepal oblong-apiculate or acuminate, like the petals, which are either nearly equal to the sepals or much broader and blunt: we have observed them all pallid yellow, with pallid chocolate-brown undulated spots round the margins or crossing over the whole; they have been observed by our artist deep horse-chestnut brown, with a few yellow rays

and blotches. Lip very fleshy, constricto-pandurate, slightly acute, deep purplish violet, with the base of the calli and the sides near these yellow. Calli blunt, rounded, two pairs (quadrigeminous), with an interjected central one. The anterior disk of the lip has some radiating impressions. The column is short. The wings rounded, bent downwards, yellow with a purplish limb. The infrastigmatical table is yellow, with purplish spots. Anthercase conical, blunt. Pollinia on a broad transverse caudicula with a transverse glandula. We observed a callosity, with a sulcate line on each side of the five calli, on the original specimen in 1856; whether it is constant we cannot say: it has not been represented by our artist.

The specimens out of M. Chantin's garden are remarkable for their long peduncles, two feet long, the one bearing two developed short lateral distant inflorescences, the terminal one having ceased to flower, the other bearing the lateral inflorescences still very young and the central inflorescence in flower. All the specimens we have seen prove the flowers to develope in long intervals one after the other, so that the case represented by Mr. Fitch, of five flowers nearly equally developed, may be regarded as a very curious anomaly, perhaps due to Mr. Green's unusual ability in growing these plants (?).

Materials for description:—The sketches of M. Retemeyer's plant, three herbarium specimens, and the recent inspection of the specimen in the Saundersian collection.

Tab. 74.— A plant, one leaf cut to show its thickness. 1, expanded flower; 2, side view of flower; 3, pollinarium, oblique side view.— H. G. R. f.

This species of Oncidium, so very remarkable in the colour and substance of its flowers, was sent to me from Mexico by Mons. Boucard. It does not flower freely, and is not a vigorous grower. It succeeds best in a moderate temperature, suspended on a block or in a basket near the light. It must be kept dry during the winter, but will bear a moist atmosphere when growing.—W. W. S.

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Oncidium carinatum, Knw and Weste.

TAB. 75.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus ONCIDIUM.

O. CARINATUM, Knw. and Westc. Fl. Cab. ii. 1838, p. 31! Pseudobulbis ovatis compressis basi vulgo quadrifoliatis, foliis geminis superioribus laminigeris, geminis inferioribus vaginis triangulis, folio in pseudobulbo solitario cuneato-ligulato acuto, pedunculo axillari gracili longe exserto racemoso seu paniculato, sæpe viviparo, ramulis brachycladis, vaginis distantibus in parte anantha, bracteis triangulis, ovaria pedicellata longe non æquantibus, sepalis ligulatis acutis lateralibus bene latioribus, tepalis oblongis acutis seu triangulis, labello oblongo ligulato retuso bilobo emarginato, callis elevatis quadriseriatis, externis ternis, internis geminis seriatis, anticis internis vulgo maximis, insula velutina parva inter callos internos utrinque una interposita, columna trigona aptera, tabula infrastigmatica utrinque supra basin in cornu porrectum extensa, anthera rostrata.—Leochilus carinatus, Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1842, Misc. 22!

Oncidium carinatum, Knw. and Westc.; Rchb. f. in Walp. Ann. vi. 772!

This is a well-known Mexican plant, yet it is very seldom seen in collections of specimens. We have never seen any wild specimens except our own, from Zacuapan in Mexico, gathered by Leibold, unless a very imperfect one collected by Liebmann, at Tealtengo near Vera Cruz, preserved in the Museum of Copenhagen, be the same.

Aërial roots filiform, very thin. Pseudobulbs ovoid, ancipitous, with four sheaths underneath, two of which are triangular, the two superior articulated with oblong-ligulate acute blades. The single leaf on the pseudobulb is of the same shape as the highest of the infrabulbous leaves, generally greater, often of a very pale yellowish green, as the pseudobulb is usually. Peduncles long, even very long, terete, racemose or with short lateral branches, hence paniculated; we have observed it twisted, and also sometimes viviparous. Sepals ligulate-triangular, the lateral ones broader, all light copper-coloured. Tepals ovate-acute or quite triangular, with a deep copper-coloured limb, and some copper-coloured dots and streaks on a yellow disk. Lip oblong-ligulate, retuse, often emarginate, yellow; the crests white, with crimson

and some chestnut brown streaks and spots on the disk; four series of clavate cartilaginous stalked calli, often with unequal and gyrose summits, in four rows from the base to the middle, or in rays of two or three, and often one velvety spot in the inner rows. Column yellowish, with a whitish anther, trigonous. Rostellum long-beaked. Anther-case rostrate. The infrastigmatical table extends towards the middle of each side in a falcate or horn-like process. Column wingless.

Materials: — Inspection of Dr. Lindley's type, and copy of his sketch; our own sketch; fifteen herbarium specimens.

Tab. 75.—A middle-sized plant. 1, expanded flower, front view+; 2, side view of a flower+; 8, expanded lip+; 4, another+; 5, side view of column+; 6, front view of the same+; 7, side view of the same; anther, fallen+; 8, pollinarium+.—H. G. R. f.

This small species, which flowers freely, I obtained from Mr. Low, of Clapton, who imported it from Mexico. It requires the same kind of treatment as the last species, Oncidium Retemeyerianum.—W. W. S.





Lockhartia verrucosa Rchb. f.

TAB. 76.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus Lockhartia, Hook.

L. Verrucosa, Rchb. f. in Hamby. Gtz. 1859, p. 53! Foliis augustis apice attenuatis, obtusatis cum apiculo, racemis lateralibus nunc addito racemo terminali, omnibus paucifloris, basi vaginatis, vaginis bracteisque ovatis acutis basi cordatis ochreatis, ovariis pedicellatis bracteas longe excedentibus, sepalis ovatis apiculatis reversis, tepalis oblongis cum apiculo, labelli quinquefidi laciniis posticis porrectis semifalcatis retusis, medianis triangulis, lacinia antica flabellata undulata bifida, callo basi lævi hexangulo depresso introrsum gyroso, callo inter partitiones medias magno quadrisulcato transversim multisulcato, columna humilia alis triangulis seu dolabriformibus hinc lobatis.—Fernandezia verrucosa, Lindl. herb.! F. robusta, Batem. in Bot. Mag. 1866, t. 5592!

We knew this species for a long while only as a garden plant. It was introduced by Consul Schiller, with whom it has often flowered. We also saw it in the Saundersian collection. It comes from Guatemala, *Dr. Bernouilli!*

Stems compitose, reaching the height of a foot. Leaves distichous, triangular, bluntly acute, often inflexed at the apex. Racemes numerous, lateral or terminal, with a few flowers, often all bent to one side. Sheaths and bracts ovate-triangular, cordate, hollowed out, herbaceous, shorter than the stalked ovary. Flowers deep lemon-colour, the inferior part of lip with crimson streaks and spots, the column-wings with crimson spots, and some such streaks under the stigmatical hollow. Sepals ovate, apiculate, reverse. Tepals oblong, with a little short point. Lip quinquefid, the basilar laciniæ ligulate, retuse, sometimes angulate over the anterior base, the lateral ones triangular, the anterior flabellate, bifid, crispo-undulate, furnished with an hexagonal tumour on the base, and before with a trisulcate tumour with many transverse furrows, reminding one of some pavement. Column short. Wings triangular, sometimes lobed. Stigmatical hollow ligulate.

Materials: — Six Guatemalese specimens; seven garden specimens, and many such flowers; Dr. Lindley's sketch, and my own sketches prepared at various times.

Tab. 76.—A part of a plant, one stalk cut. 1, flower, front view+; 2, flower, side view+; 3, column anterior side+; 4, pollinarium, oblique view+.—H. G. R. f.

Like other species of Lockhartia, this requires a peculiar treatment to grow it well. It seems to thrive best on a block, if not allowed to get too dry at the roots; and it will also do well, raised in pots of rough peat and sphagnum, the pots being two-thirds filled with drainage crocks. It requires the temperature of the East India house, or the warm portion of the Mexican house. The plant flowers very freely when in health, and it is well worth growing, from its neat habit and beautiful and elegant yellow pendant flowers. My plants were received from the late G. A. Skinner, to whom Orchid-growers are so much indebted. The locality where it was obtained is unknown to me. — W. W. S.

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Trichocontrum cornucopiæ, Linder and Publ. f.

TAB. 77.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Trichocentrum, Pöpp. and Endl.

T. CORNUCOPIE, Linden and Rehb. f. in Gardener's Chronicle, 1866, p. 266 c. Foliis planis a basi petiolari cuneato oblongis acutis, apice summo tridentatis, pedunculis basilaribus racemosis unifloris, sepalis tepalisque sublatioribus cuneato-oblongis apiculatis, sepalo summo fornicato, labello pandurato retuso emarginato, disco crasso velutino carini sabbreviatis angulatis senis triseriatis in basi, calcari gracili flexo ovarium cylindraceum non æquante, columnæ brevis alis dolabriformibus lobatis serratis.

A very few specimens of this new species were sent by Mr. Wallis to Director Linden from Rio Negro (?). We have only seen the plant in the collection of Director Linden and W. W. Saunders, Esq. It is allied to T. purpureum, Lindl., but that is different, at first sight, by the very ample wide spur, two erect teeth at the base of the lip, and narrow wings, not to speak of the colour.

Rhizome short, very stout. Pseudobulbs nearly obsolete, very short, from a single joint, terete, unisulcate, one-leaved. Leaf oblong-acute, from a cuneate base, with three minute teeth at the end, from three to five inches long, sometimes more than one inch wide, the middle keel of the under side rounded, green, fleshy. Peduncles basilar, with one-flowered racemes. Bract triangular, acute, herbaceous, much shorter than the stalked ovary. A rudiment of the axis crowned by one or two abortive bracts. Sepals cuneate-oblong, apiculate, the superior one fornicate, yellowish white. Tepals broader, blunter, the same colour as the sepals. Lip connate at its base with the column, broadly cuneate, oblong-pandurate, wavy on its sides, emarginate at its free end, sometimes minutely toothed. Disk thickened towards the base, and bearing six triangular short calli, standing in three rows or only in two rows, the four intermediate ones standing close to each other. Both the surface of the lip and the calli are velvety, which becomes more conspicuous in the dried flowers. The lip is white, with a sulphur-coloured disk. The keels are reddish orange, with bright yellow radiating lines. The short column has

two triangular blunt serrulate wings, whitish, as is the column, but with purplish dots. The anther is oblong-acute, velvety, white, with small triangular valves of the locelli. Pollinia pyriform, retuse, channelled on the inferior side on a broad triangular caudicula, now rounded, now apiculate at the base, bearing a brown small ligulate glandula. We have not seen such a narrow caudicula as is represented by Mr. Fitch.

Materials: — Only two dried flowers; inspection of the living plants with Messrs. Linden and Saunders; sketches and descriptions made twice from the living plant.

Tab. 77. — A plant. Side view of the flower, sepals and tepals removed +; 2, lip and spur +; 3, column, front view +; 4, anther-case +; 5, 6, 7, pollinaria + (4, 6, 7, from Professor Reichenbach's sketches).— H.~G.~R.~f.

The species of the genus *Trichocentrum* prefer growing on blocks of wood to any other method of growth that they have been subjected to at Hillfield. They should never be allowed to become dry, should be kept near the light, and shaded from the mid-day sun. They do well in the Mexican house. So treated the species flower freely, and the plants appear very healthy and strong. This plant I received from the rich collection of Mons. Linden, of Brussels.—W. W. S.

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Maxillaria obscura Lindaund Rehb. fil.

TAB. 78.

Tribe Vandee. Genus Maxillaria, R. and P.

M. obscura, Lind. and Rehb. fil. Beit. Orch. Centr. Amer. p. 317, tab. vi. fig. ii. iii. 4—9! Pseudobulbis densissime aggregatis, pyriformibus oblongisve, obtuse ancipitibus, utrinque fornicatis, tandem rugosis, monophyllis, foliis nunc ultra pedalibus, cuneato oblongoligulatis, acutis, cum apiculo, superne prasinis, inferne pallidioribus costa mediana valde prominula, rugis parvis transversis apicem versus, pedunculis pauci-vaginatis, vaginis arctis apice acutis, bractea ampliori, ovarium excedente, sepalis oblongo-ligulatis seu triangulo-ligulatis acutis, lateralibus divergentibus demum deflexis, tepalis ligulatis acutis sepalo summo adpositis seu suppositis, labello trifido, laciniis posticis semiovatis antice obtusangulis seu acutangulis, callo ovato depresso interposito, disco laciniæ oblongæ acutæ antice incrassato, columna brevi, anthera carinato galeata, glandula oblunata seu retusa. — M. cucullata, Hook. Bot. Mag. 1842, tab. 3945!

According to Sir William Hooker, the type of his figure was introduced by Mr. Henchman. It would thus no doubt be of Mexican origin. We obtained flowers with sepals a little broader from Mr. Linden, who declared they came from New Granada. The plant is easily distinguished from genuine M. cucullata by not having an acute glandula, nor yet such a cucullate bract.

Roots filiform, straight, very hard, always without any hairs. Pseudobulbs close together, oblong-pyriform or oblong, obtuse, ancipitous, at length much wrinkled. Sheaths triangular, with a scarious inner border, shorter than the one-leaved bulbs. Leaves even more than a foot long, coriaceous, cuneate oblong-ligulate, bluntly acute, leek-green on the upper surface, paler beneath, with an obtuse keel over the middle nerve, and some transverse wrinkles towards the tip. Peduncles not much exceeding the bulbs, usually with two narrow acute sheaths. Bracts resembling the sheaths, exceeding the stalked ovary. Sepals ligulate-triangular, acute or oblong-ligulate acute, the lateral ones divaricate or bent down, all lake-brown, occasionally with yellow tips. Tepals shorter, under or near the upper sepal, of the same colour. Lip dark brown, trifid; lateral laciniæ semiovate,

obtuse or angulate, the middle ones ligulate, bluntly acute, with a thicker disk. A ligulate blunt depressed well-marked callus stands between the lateral laciniæ. Column trigonous, short. Anther galeate, keeled. Glandula retuse or crescent-shaped.

Materials: — Two flowers out of M. Linden's garden; our sketch, taken from these; description of the living plant in the Saundersian collection.

Tab. 78.—Plant. 1, oblique side view of lip and column +; 2, 3, 4, views of pollinarium +.—H. G. R. f.

This free-flowering species of Maxillaria I obtained at one of Mr. Stevens' sales, and Mexico was stated to be its native country. It grows strongly and rapidly, either on a block or potted in rough peat and sphagnum, with plenty of drainage, and well supplied with water in the growing state. It requires the temperature of the Mexican house.—W. W. S.





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TAB. 79.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Maxillaria, R. and P.

M. RUFESCENS, Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1835, t. 1802! 1836, t. 1848! Var. FLAVIDA, Rehb. fil. Pseudobulbis ovatis, ancipitibus, subtetragonis, deorsum lineolis sulcatis transversis exaratis monophyllis, folio cuneato oblongo-ligulato acuto, pedunculis porrectis pauci-vaginatis, vaginis parte libera acutis, bractea subæquali, ovarium pedicellatum vix æquante, mento mediocri, perigonio bene carnoso, sepalis ligulatis obtuse acutis, tepalis cuneato ligulatis acutis, labello cuneato-oblongo trifido, laciniis lateralibus acutangulis, medianis, linea oblongata velutina inter utramque, columnæ trigonæ anthera mitræformi, glandula semilunari, perigonio flavo.

We shall have to speak of the original brown-flowered species on another occasion, a plate having been prepared. Whether this variety is a local one, or occurs among the typical species, we do not know.

Pseudobulbs ovate, subtetragonous, ancipitous, at length with many short small transverse impressed furrowed lines, oneleaved, more or less clothed with three or four ancipitous acute subscariose sheaths. The single leaf is cuneate, oblong-ligulate, Peduncles usually obliquely ascending, acute, very leathery. seldom nearly straight, with generally two acute sheaths. Bracts nearly equal to the superior sheath, not quite the length of the stalked ovary. Sepals ligulate, subacute, clear yellow, tinged outside with a brown hue. Tepals cuneate-ligulate, acute, clear vellow. Lip cuneate-oblong, trifid; the lateral lacinia acutangular, middle lacinia ligulate, subacute or nearly retuse, the tip usually reflexed, a velvety callus between the lateral laciniæ; the colour the same as that of the other parts of the flower, but there are many small reddish brown blotches on both surfaces, and paler ones outside. Column trigonous, angular near the summit; also yellow, with many very small blotches. Anther-case mitrate, with an elevated middle ridge. Pollinia oblong, with smaller partitions underneath, on a triangular emarginate caudicula bearing a crescent-shaped glandula.

Materials:—Dried flowers, but only garden specimens.

Tab. 79.—The plant. 1, side view of a flower, both sepals and tepals removed +; 2, front view of column and nearly-expanded lip +; 3, pollinarium, front view +; 4, ditto, side view.—H. G. R. f.

This variety of Maxillaria rufescens I received from Mr. Horne, of Trinidad, who found it in that island. It grows freely, treated as recommended for Maxillaria obscura, and requires the temperature of the Mexican house, where it very regularly produces flowers.—W. W. S.





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Połystachya lineata Rchb. f.

TAB. 80.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Polystachya, *Hook*.

P. Lineata, Rchb. fil. MSS. Pseudobulbis pyriformibus, basi vaginatis, foliis geminis usque octonis, lineari-ligulatis, apice acute bidentatis, pedunculo simplici (semper?) inflorescentiam usque ancipiti, vaginis ancipitibus imbricatis vestito, pedunculo florifero crasso clavato, puberulo, racemoso, alabastris ac floribus cum ovariis calvis angulatis, bracteis minutissimis triangulo-lanceis, mento obtusangulo, sepalis oblongo-triangulis, tepalis angustioribus linearibus angustioribus brevioribus, labello cuneato-oblongo trilobo, lobis lateralibus obtusangulis, lobo antico porrecto triangulo acuto recurvo, tumore baseos elevato conico farinaceo, toto disco farinaceo, apicem usque versus, columna trigona utrinque juxta foveam angulata, fovea oblonga.

Introduced to the Saundersian garden from Guatemala. We never saw the plant before.

Pseudobulbs pyriform, furnished with sheaths. Roots very long, thick, deflexed. Leaves two to eight, linear-ligulate, minutely and acutely bidentate at the apex. Peduncle simple, ancipitous, with ancipitous, acute, long, imbricate sheaths, the floriferous part thickened, clothed with short hairs. Buds or perigones of the open flowers angulate with the hairless ovarium, greenish, with four cinnamon linear broad lines. Tepals narrower, linear, acute, shorter, greenish, with cinnamon borders. Lip cuneateoblong, three-lobed, the side lobes obtuse, the middle lobe longer, ligulate-acute, the apex recurved. A mealy conical tubercle at the base of the lip, and all the surface nearly to the apex mealy: this meal consists of the broken cellules of nearly moniliform hairs. Column short, trigonous, angulated at each side of the oblong fovea. Anther mitrate, with an elevated middle ridge. Pollinia depressed-oblong, placed in two incumbent pairs on a short broad caudicula with a transverse glandula.

Materials: - See following variety.

Tab. 80.—Plant. 1, flower on part of peduncle, side view +; 2, flower, front view +; 3, side view of a flower, sepals and tepals removed +; 4, lip +; 5, column, front view +; 6, pollinarium +.—H. G. R. f.

I am indebted to the late G. A. Skinner for this plant, which he received from Guatemala. It succeeds and flowers freely when grown in the cool part of the Mexican house. It should be well raised above the level of the pot, to prevent the buds from rotting, which they are apt to do. It requires plenty of drainage, and not to be over-watered when growing.—W. W. S.





Polystachya lineata. Rchb. f. var.

TAB. 81.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Polystachya, *Hook*.

P. LINEATA (Rehb. fil. MSS. tab. antica), var. Elatior. Pseudobulbis conico-oblongis, elatioribus, foliis paucioribus, lato lineari-ligulatis, pedunculo crassiori, latiori, vaginis latioribus, inflorescentiis paucis lateralibus, flore ampliori.

This variety was imported from Vera Cruz, in Mexico.

Closely resembling that just described, but pseudobulbs conicooblong, longer; leaves fewer, broad lineari-ligulate; peduncle thicker; sheaths broader; inflorescence broader, with lateral branches; flowers larger.

Materials: — A sketch of a little plant flowering in the Saundersian garden in last October, and the dried inflorescence, as well as the description of it, prepared at Reigate.

Tab. 81.—Plant. 1, flower, oblique view +: 2, expanded flower +: 3, oblique view of flower, sepals cut off +: 4. lip, oblique view +: 5, column, oblique view +: 6, pollinarium +.—H. G. R. f.

I received this plant through the agency of Mons. Boucard. It is from some part of Mexico, probably from the vicinity of Vera Cruz. It should be treated in the same way as recommended for *Polystachya lineata* (see Tab. 80),—W. W. S.



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Catasetum longifolium Lindl.

TAB, 82.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus CATASETUM, L. C. Rich.

C. Longifolium, Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1839, Misc. 154! Pseudobulbo cylindraceo superne attenuato (semifusiformi), vaginis vetustis ob laminas dejectas retusis, foliis lineari-ligulatis acuminatis valde elongatis, pedunculo ex basi pseudobulbi deflexo parce vaginato laxe racemoso, bracteis oblongis acutis ovariis pedicellatis multo brevioribus, sepalis tepalisque oblongis acutis reflexis, tepalis nunc limbo inferiori denticulatis, labello cassideo oblongo-obtuso cum apiculo tumorem bisulcatum efferente, infra limbum membrana basi lata ciliata antice in seriem ciliarum exeunte, columna brevi crassa circa androclinium denticulata, utrinque juxta foveam angulo producto cornuta.—Lindl. Sert. Orch. t. 31! Rchb. f. in Walp. Ann. vi. 574! Id. in Gard. Chron. 1868, p. 1186 a! Monachanthus longifolius, Hook. Bot. Mag. vol. 67, t. 3019!

The discoverer of this nice Catasetum was Sir Robert Schomburgk, who found it in 1836, on the Ela Palm (Mauritia flexuosa), at the place where the spadix generally developes itself. He found it in British Guyana, in the Cannuni Creek, a tributary of the river Demerara; also very frequently at the low and marshy ground of the rivers Wironi and Wicri, tributaries of the river Berbice: there the leaves were sometimes six to eight feet long. The Macusi Indians call it Masamu; the Waraus have given it the name of Okityon. The flowers were observed of a lakecolour. Messrs. Loddiges obtained a supply of specimens. The plant was also sent from Demerara by Mr. Henry Gloster, Attorney-General of the Colony. It flowered in September. 1839, with Mr. Brocklehurst, of the Fence, Macclesfield, and with Mr. Valentine Morris, of the Retreat, Battersea, in October and November, 1839. It is well known that the plant obtained by growers and gardeners the nickname "the Catasetum that never flowers." We had never seen any other vestige of it than the dried inflorescence of Dr. Lindley, who was unable to give us a single flower, since all his were glued on stiff paper. felt most agreeably surprised when, at the end of September, 1868, we found a strong healthy specimen at Hillfield House, in the Saundersian collection. In a few months it produced the second inflorescence, the second having toothlets on the tepals where the first had none. The flowers represented earlier, in 'Sertum Orchidaceum' and the 'Botanical Magazine,' were so pallid that Sir Robert Schomburgk expressed his astonishment thereat. Mr. Green, the able gardener to W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., had succeeded in obtaining such bright lake-coloured flowers.

Pseudobulbs semifusiform or cylindraceo-conical, six to eight inches high, covered with older whitish sheaths, bearing little blackish points. Leaves linear-ligulate, acuminate, glaucous, three feet long, one inch wide in the described Saundersian specimen. The sheaths soon lose their laminar points. Peduncle rising from some of the lowermost sheaths, strong, pendulous, dark purplish, with very few basilar scales and a lax-flowered raceme. Bracts oblong-lanceolate, acute, brownish purple, much shorter than the purplish stalked ovaries. Sepals and tenals oblong-acute or at least apiculate, the tepals sometimes serrulate on one side near the top, all purplish, sometimes washed with green. Lip helmet-shaped, oblong, obtuse-saccate, bluntly angled, and overlapping the base of the column with a little round edge, acute at the top of the wide opening, bearing a furrowed velvety ridge inside the said acute beak of the top, microscopically ciliate around the limb. Under the limb runs outside a fringed membrane, broad and ear-like at the back, and solved in bristles towards the middle and apex. Some little warts inside in the hollow of the lip. The fimbriæ microscopically muriculate. Lip yellowish purple outside, with numberless little yellow dots, the membrane and bristles deep purplish, the apex of the lip of the deepest violet, as is also the furrowed callosity. Column short, abrupt, denticulate around the androclinium. Stigmatic hollow roundish; on each side of it is an angular projecting horn: the whole body yellowish. Anther-case oblong, umbonate at the top, two-eared at its base, with microscopical teeth. Pollinia oblong, furrowed beneath. Caudicula ligulate. Glandula oblong, very large.

Materials:—I have seen the typical specimen in Dr. Lindley's herbarium several times; descriptions from the living flowering Saundersian plant; the described inflorescence, in a dried state, is now at my side; sketches and analyses from the living plant at hand.

Tab. 82. — The plant. A flower, side view, having both sepals and tepals cut.— $H.\ G.\ R.\ f.$

There are no plants more remarkable among Orchids for the shape and colouring of the flowers than the species of the genus Catasetum; and although they are sure to attract the attention of the observer, they are not favourites with Orchid-growers, and their cultivation has been greatly neglected. They are not difficult to flower, and will grow freely when properly treated. C. longifolium is rare in collections: I obtained it from the Salween River, British Guiana. It thrives when grown in a basket of rough peat and sphagnum, and the pseudobulbs placed well above the rim, so that they may stand exposed to the air. The temperature of the East India house suits it well, where it should be supplied with plenty of water when growing, and as soon as the growth is completed it should have a good season of warm dry rest before it is set growing again.—W. W. S.











Catasetum discolor, Lindle

TAB. 83.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus Catasetum, *L. C. Rich*.

C. discolor (Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1844, p. 34!) C. fimbriatum, Rchb. f. MSS. Pseudobulbis cylindraceo-conicis a vaginis triangulis apicibus dejectis retusis vestitis apice persistentius foliatis, foliis cuneato-oblongis acutis plicatis, racemo erecto supra pseudobulbi basim egrediente, vaginis in parte anantha paucis apice libero acutis, distantibus, racemo plurifloro subdistantifloro, bracteis triangulo-lanceis ovaria pedicellata nunc usque dimidio æquantibus, floribus nutantibus, sepalis tepalisque lato-ligulatis acutis apiculatisve, labello galeato exampliato, utrinque basi in fimbrias soluto, apice rotundato fimbriato, columna trigona abbreviata postice et utroque latere angulata.—Monochanthus fimbriatus, Hook. Bot. Mag. 1839, 3708! C. discolor, Lindl., genuinum recedit labello apice simpliciter acuto integerrimo seu serrulato, an sexus Cataseti Trullæ, Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1840, Misc. 176?

This variety was originally discovered by the late Mr. Gardner, who observed it on dry sandy banks beneath the shade of some low shrubs beyond the village of Apipucas, about two miles from Pernambuco. It was introduced into Consul Schiller's garden from Bahia.

The young shoots are conical and six-leaved. The inferior leaves lose their laminæ as the pseudobulb developes more and more into a cylindraceo-conical body, attaining a height of six inches, but the triangular retuse sheaths remain, fading in course of time. Leaves cuneate-oblong, acute, plaited. Raceme erect, bearing a few distant acute sheaths at the apex of the rachis, and with some flowers at moderate distances. Bracts lanceolate, not half the length of the stalked ovaries. Flowers greenish, the helmet of the lip yellowish. Sepals and tepals broad-ligulate, acute or apiculate. Lip helmet-shaped, with flat exampliate margins, long bristle-like laciniæ to both sides, and a protruded broad-ligulate obtuse anterior part bearing bristles on the anterior limb. Column short, with a triangular posterior lamina over the androclinium and angular sides. The original plant differs by having the middle lobe of the lip triangular, sometimes with some teeth.

Materials: — Two dried inflorescences; sketches made from the living plant; and a description of the plant made in the Saundersian garden.

Tab. 83.—1, oblique side view of flower +; 2, expanded lip +; 3, oblique side view of column +.—H. G. R. f.

This variety of Catasetum discolor was imported from Brazil by Mr. Low, from whom I obtained it. If treated as recommended for Catasetum longifolium it will do well, or it may be placed upon a block of wood or cork instead of grown in a basket.—W. W. S.





TAB. 84.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus Dichæa, *Linn*.

D. PICTA (Rehb. f. MSS.) Densissime cæspitosa, caulibus ancipitibus distiche dense foliatis, vaginis ancipitibus, laminis lineari-lanceolatis acuminatis obliquis, floribus axillaribus vagina stipante ochreata, bractea cyathiformi, utrinque apiculata, ovario a bractea obcelato lævi, sepalo dorsali triangulo acuminato convexo, sepalis lateralibus subæqualibus amplioribus, basi retrorsum saccatis, tepalis cuneato-ligulatis acuminatis, labello unguiculato sagittato disco omnico lævi, columna pandurato constricta, ligula inferiori foveæ oblique producta.

One of the novelties introduced by W. W. Saunders, Esq., from Trinidad. The true Dichræa graminoides, Rchb. f. (Cymbidium graminoides, Sw.!), is totally distinct, distinguished by a keel running over the superior half of the lip. The Isochilus graminoides, Hook., comes very near Dichræa brachypoda, Rchb. f., having concolorous flowers, broader leaves with more numerous nerves, a broader lip with more numerous nerves, divaricate not retrorse teeth to the lip, much broader simply acute sepals, &c.

Cæspitose. Roots filiform, often undulated, even from the upper parts of the stems. Stems reaching the height of five inches, with many distichous leaves. Sheaths ancipitous. Laminæ lineari-lanceolate, acuminate, oblique, nearly perpendicular, glaucous. Flowers axillary. Flower-stalks nearly equalling the laminæ of leaves, purplish. Sheaths acute, ochreate. Bracts cyathiform, with two bristle-like ends, one longer than the other. Flowers light leek-green, with purplish dots. Column whitish. Anther-case and inferior lip of stigmatic hollow purplish. Upper sepal triangular, acuminate, convex. Lateral sepals nearly equal, wider, saccate at the base. Tepals cuneate-oblong, acute. Lip unguiculate, sagittate, without any crest. Column, as seen by ourselves in half-a-dozen flowers, constricted at the base, ampliated around the stigmatical hollow, and narrower above near the unbordered androclinium. Anther-case depressed, foveolate in Pollinia pear-shaped, depressed, in incumbent the middle.

pairs. Caudicle obtriangular, with a little apiculus between the points of insertion of the pollinia. Caudicula ligulate. Stigmatical hollow rounded, with a little lip on the middle of the inferior limb.

Materials: — A description and sketches made from the living plant in the Saundersian garden; a little specimen and three flowers in the herbarium.

Tab. 84.—Part of the plant. 1, apex of a leaf +; 2, expanded flower +; 3, side view of flower +; 4, side view of a flower, as seen by Professor Reichenbach +; 5, side view of flower, sepals and petals removed +; 6, lip; 7, front view of column, as seen by Professor Reichenbach +; 8, front view of column +; 9, pollinarium +; 10, ditto, front view +; 11, ditto, side view +. The figures 4, 7, 10, 11, added by Professor Reichenbach f.—H. G. R. f.

I received this interesting and elegant little species from Mr. Horne, of Trinidad, who procured the plant in that island. It succeeds very well in the warm part of the Mexican house, grown on a block of wood with a little moss attached, to prevent the tender roots from drying too much. It likes a light and somewhat airy situation.— W. W. S.

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TAB. 85.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Phalænopsis, *Bl.*

P. Parishii (Rchb. f. in V. Mohl. and Schlecht. Bot. Zeit. 1865, p. 146!) Radicibus aëreis ligulatis depressis lucidis, foliis cuneatooblongis acutis bidentatis carnoso-coriaceis, racemis usque septemfloris synanthiis, bracteis triangulis acutis ovaria pedicellata longe
non æquantibus, sepalo summo oblongo-ligulato obtuse acuto,
sepalis lateralibus semiovato triangulis extus carinatis, tepalis late
spatulatis obtuse acutis retusiusculis, labelli cum pede columnæ
producto angulati partitionibus lateralibus lato-ligulatis acutis intus
lobuloso callosis, erectis, partitione media cordato-triangula maxima,
callo ligulato erecto apice quadriseto in basi, linea callosa semiovata
in denticulos soluta anteposita, columna erecta utrinque basi angulato dilatata, rostello bifido elongato, labello pulchre amethystino
seu violaceo. — Rchb. fil. Xenia Orchidacea, ii. Tab. 156, i. 1—
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Var. Lobbii. Labelli linea callosa semiovata magis tumida, toto labello albo, vitta lata longitudinali castanea utrinque.

We always feel very scrupulous in stating who has discovered a species. Three months ago we should have believed that the Rev. Mr. Parish, whose botanical merits are beyond all praise, was the discoverer; and yet he is not, the same species having been gathered by T. Lobb so early as 1845, in the Eastern Himalaya. There is only a difference in colour, his specimens bearing two broad brown bands between three white bands. We are indebted for a good specimen to Messrs. Veitch, who had most accidentally failed to give it to Dr. Lindley. The plant was sent, we believe, in 1864, from Burmah, by the Rev. Mr. Parish to Mr. Low. We saw the plant in 1865, with J. Day, Esq., and obtained flowers from the garden of J. Dawson, Esq. We also obtained flowers from Messrs. Veitch, and from the Royal Gardens, Kew. All these belong to the violet-lipped form, taken by us as the type.

Aërial roots broad-ligulate, extended, usually very shining. Stem very short. Leaves cuneate-oblong, acute, with two teeth: we have never seen more than two on a plant. Peduncles arising very freely, frequently two on a very small plant, three- to seven-

flowered, very short, not exceeding two inches. Bracts triangular, much shorter than the stalked ovaries. Flowers of a very firm texture, white; the disk of the lip deep violet or amethyst colour. the lateral partitions of lip white outside, yellow with brownish purple dots inside. The broad base of column white, with violet spots. Upper sepal oblong-ligulate, acute; lateral sepals nearly triangular, keeled on the middle line outside. Tepals broadly spatulate, blunt-acute or nearly retuse. Lip three-partite. Basilar partition cuneate-ligulate, obliquely retuse, callous inside. Middle partition nearly or quite heart-shaped triangular. A ligulate callus is terminated by four bristles: we have never seen them so long as represented by the artist. Before it stands a transverse semiovate ridge, broken up into numerous fringes: we have never seen it so long as in the figure. Column trigonous, extended below into a wider part. Stigmatic hollow more or less hexagonal, not so circular as figured. Rostellum beaked. Anther beaked. Pollinaria with a triangular caudicula, a cordiform glandula, and pollinia of unequal sizes and forms.

Materials:—Two wild specimens and four garden ones, together with three sketches made at various times.

Tab. 85.—The plant. 1, oblique view of the flower, with a part of the rachis +; 2, side view of flower, the sepals, tepals and base of ovary removed +; 3, front view of column and lip +; 4, pollinarium, side view +.—H. G. R. f.

I am indebted to my friend Mr. J. Day, of Tottenham, whose rich collection of Orchids is so well known, for the opportunity of figuring this pretty and interesting species of *Phalænopsis.*— W. W. S.

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Epidendrum campylostaliz. Rehb. f.

TAB. 86.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Epidendrum, Sw.

E. CAMPYLOSTALIX, Rchb., f. (v. Mohl et v. Schlecht. Bot. Zeit. 1852, p. 730!) Pruinosum, pseudobulbis oblongis rotundisve valde ancipitibus monophyllis, folio cuneato-oblongo acuto, spatha inflorescentiæ ovata acuta seu oblongo-lanceolata carinata, longiori, breviori, inflorescentia racemosa seu paniculata, bracteis lanceolato-ligulatis acuminatis pedicellos florum superantibus, nunc imo ovaria pedicellata æquantibus, ovariis tripteris alis undulatis, sepalis ligulatis acutis, tepalis angustioribus spatulatis acutis, labello basi adnato, ab unque ligulato cuneato dilatato trilobo, lobis lateralibus semiovatis seu obtusangulo rhombeis, lobo antico æquilato obtuse bilobo retusiusculo, callo depresso supra unguem in laminæ disco in lineas ternas excurrente, columna trigona apice circa androclinium triloba, lobo medio depresso tabulari.—E. lineatum, Klotzsch, MSS. in herb. Berol. et in hort. Berol. E. glaucum, Skinner, hortul. Angl. E. campylostalix, Rehb. f. Lindl. Fol. Orch. i. Epid. No. 2! Rehb. f. Beitr. Orchidk. Central Amerik. p. 32, 80!

This species was discovered by our late friend J. v. Warscewicz. We have in our collection a splendid specimen, bearing a leaf a foot long, and a compound inflorescence with three lateral branches. It is indicated on the label as coming from Guatemala, Costa Rica, Veraguas, Chiriqui. Subsequently the plant was gathered at Dosengano, in Costa Rica, 6000 feet (May 8, 1857), by our friend Wendland! A rich series of specimens was sent from S. Jose de Costa Rica by Mr. Carmiol. The plant has been frequently imported from Guatemala. We obtained it from various gardens at Berlin, Hamburgh, London. A very nice variety, with much darker colours and broad wings to the column, was sent by Dr. Pattison, of St. John's Wood, London.

The whole plant is covered with a glaucous hue. The pseudo-bulbs stand very close together, roundish or oblong, very ancipitous, with some sheaths of triangular shape at their base, and a single cuneate-oblong acute thickish leaf. The inflorescence comes out of an oblong or ligulate or even roundish ancipitous sheath, sometimes much developed, sometimes almost obliterated. So that the whole of the small section Epicladium

stands in jeopardy. In our greenhouses (for the plant is a cool orchid) we generally obtain only racemes bearing some distant triangular acuminate sheaths below, and a raceme of from four to twelve nodding flowers. Bracts triangular, acute, nearly equalling the curved flower-stalks. Ovaries prismatic, with undulated wings. Sepals thickish, ligulate-acute, greenish outside, greenish with brownish streaks inside. Tepals narrower, spathulate, acute, of the same texture and colour. Lip united at the very base of the column or quite free, cuneate, dilated towards the apex, with triangular or rhomboid lateral lobes, and a produced cuneate dilatate retuse emarginate or apiculate middle lobe: the basilar part of the lip bears a long callosity, tridentate at its apex in the middle of the lip, and generally with two furrows; it is white or vellowish white. The column is trigonous, usually bent back, bearing an immersed tridentate anther-bed, the central tooth being usually retuse: it is green, with some purplish spots, dots and rays. The anther-case is rounded.

Materials: — Living specimens in various gardens, and numerous specimens in our collection; also seen in Dr. Lindley's herbarium; numerous sketches prepared at various times.

Tab. 86.—The whole plant. 1, a flower seen from the front; 2, side view of a flower, the sepals and tepals removed; 3, expanded lip +; 4, column from the interior side +; 5, pollinaria +; 6, ditto, side view +. All the figures are due to W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., whose chaste representations are free from any artistical exaggeration.—H. G. R. f.

This species, remarkable for its neat habit and very glaucous bulbs and leaves, I first received from Mons. Linden, but from what country I do not know. Afterwards I obtained it from Guatemala through the late Mr. G. U. Skinner, and more recently from Costa Rica, sent from thence by Mr. Carmiol. It grows freely in a pot or basket filled with rough peat and sphagnum, placed in the Mexican house, where it flowers regularly.— W. W. S.

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Epidendrum paleaceum Rohb. f.

TAB. 87.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Epidendrum, Sw.

E. PALEACEUM (Rchb. f. in Beitr. Orchidk. Central Amerik. p. 80!). Rhizomate repente vaginato, pseudobulbis pyriformi-ligulatis seu ligulatis subcompressis monophyllis vaginatis, foliis ligulatis apice bilobis, pedunculo vaginis acutis vestito racemoso unifloro usque plurifloro, ex caule novello pseudobulbo non evoluto, bracteis spathaceis scariosis triangulis ovaria excedentibus, ovariis muriculatis subglutinosis, perigoniis crassiusculis, sepalis triangulo-lanceis, tepalis subæqualibus, nunc latioribus, brevioribus, labello ligulato acuto seu ligulato-pandurato, ima basi rotundato, disco basilari foveato, columna trigona basi antrorsum producta, rostello tridentato, anthera vertice longitudinaliter serrato cristata, ligula deflexa serrata utringue. — Dinema paleaceum, Lindl.! Bot. Reg. 1846, Misc. 112! Epidendrum auritum, Lindl.! Bot. Reg. 1843, Misc. 4! Fol. Orchid. i. Epidendrum, No. 131. Epidendrum Lindenianum, A. Rich, Gal. O. Mex. p. 42, in Ann. Sc. Nat. 1845! Orch. Mex. inedit. t. 111; Lindl, l. c. No. 83. Epidendrum sarcoglossum, A. Rich in hort. Paris! Rchb. fil. in Walp. Ann. vi. 323! et l. supra citato! Cattleya micrantha, Klotzch.! in hort. Jenisch.! Maxillaria Boothii, Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1838, Misc. 95!

The original discoverers of this plant appear to be Ruiz and Pavon, from whom we possess specimens. It has been frequently gathered in Southern Mexico near Oaxaca, Talea, Zacuapan, Vera Cruz, Colipa, Mirador, as specimens from Leibold! Ehrenberg! Liebmann! Linden! Galeotti! Jürgensen! Schiede! Ghiesbreght! Heller! show. We obtained it from Guatemala, Mazatenango; Bernoulli! Turialba in Costa Rica, 27.3. 1857; Wendland! Surinam, woods between the Saramaca and Copinami; Kegel! A plant much resembling that species is Epidendrum Ottonis, Rehb. f. It grows near Caraccas and in Trinidad, also in Cuba, and is easily distinguished by its smooth ovaries, crestless anthers (often three instead of one) and smaller flowers.

Rhizome creeping, thickish, sheathed, with single roots. Pseudobulbs varying from pyriform to ligulate, ancipitous, furrowed when old, with a few acute scariose nervous pallid ochre-coloured sheaths, often covered with many obscure small spots. Leaf

solitary, linear-ligulate, two-lobed, generally four to six inches long, but sometimes attaining a foot, usually one-third to twothirds of an inch wide. The inflorescence rises from the very young bulb, when still not yet developed, and covered by its sheaths. The rachis bears one or two triangular acuminate keeled spathaceous sheaths. The inflorescence consists of one to four usually one-sided flowers, The bracts are quite like the sheaths, but browner and usually covered with more little spots. The stalked ovaries are wingless, nearly trigonous, covered with minute acute papillæ. Sepals linear-acuminate, patent, sulphur to light ochre-colour, but mostly sulphur-coloured. nearly equal, usually shorter, sometimes much broader. Lip pandurato-ligulate apiculate, with a short furrow before its base. an obtuse keel on its under surface, sometimes a revolute denticulate limb near the apex, and with transverse radiating little sulcations around the anterior margin. It is of the same colour as the sepals and tepals, but has a deeper yellow line over the disk of the upper part. We did not observe such sagittate auricles as they have been represented by the artist. The lip usually rounded at its base. The trigonous bent column has a tridentate androclinium and a protracted base. The anther is highly curious; it is trigono-conoid, having a serrate longitudinal crest on the top, and two triangular curved auricles overlapping the rounded rostellum, serrate inside: these have been very judiciously compared by the late Dr. Lindley to the head of some insect. The flowers are sweet-scented, the odour being compared to that of Heliotrope. Dr. Lindley has seen flowers almost white. The stigmatic hollow is subject to many variations.

Materials: — Analyses and sketches of the habit of the plant, with descriptions made at three different times; forty-five herbarium specimens; the plant often observed in a living state.

Tab. 87.— The plant, with a poor inflorescence. 1, flower, front view; 2, the same, side view; 3, the same, sepals and tepals removed; 4, inside view of column and lip +; 5, anther, oblique side view +; 6, pollinia, seen obliquely +; 7, pollinia, side view +.—H. G. R. f.

This is a species making but little show, and is easy of cultivation, if placed on a block of wood or piece of cork near the light, in the Mexican house. My specimens were sent to me from Mexico by Mons. Boucard.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 88.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Epidendrum, Sw.

E. OCHRACEUM (Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1838, Misc. 15, t. 26!). Pseudobulbo pyriformi seu semifusiformi diphyllo, sæpe triphyllo, raro monophyllo, foliis lineari-ligulatis seu linearibus acutis pergameneis, pedunculo racemoso, parte inferiori anantha paucivaginata, parte florida recta seu flexuosa bracteis triangulis herbaceis ovaria pedicellata subæquantibus, sepalis cuneato-oblongis obtuse acutis, tepalis sæpe paulo latioribus, labello supra basin columnæ adnato flabellato expanso antice trifido, laciniis lateralibus triangulis antrorsis seu rectangulis, lacinia media porrecta semiovata obtusa seu emarginata, callo a basi in basin laciniæ anticæ depresso antice tridentato, verrucis nunc antepositis, columna trigona apice trifida, laciniis lateralibus semifalcatis, antice serratis, lacinia media apice acuta seu serrulata, anteposita ligula breviori serrata, Osmophytorum more. — E. triste, A. Rich, Gal. O. Mex. 20, in Ann. Sc. Nat. 1845!

The discovery of this species would also appear to be due to Ruiz and Pavon. It appears to be very frequent in S. Mexico, near Zacuapan, Mirador, Talea, San Pedro Nolasco, Oaxaca.

We have had specimens from Galeotti (5284, 5278), Schiede, Ehrenberg, Leibold, Jürgensen, Botteri! It occurs also in Guatemala; Bernoulli! In Costa Rica; Oersted! Cartago; Wendland! It occurs oftener in collections than amateurs could wish it. They used to be frightened at what they call an ugly plant.

Rhizome strong, creeping, sheathed, with strong white roots. Pseudobulbs pear-shaped or semifusiform. Leaves two, seldom one, oftener three, linear-ligulate or linear-acute, of the texture of parchment. Peduncle racemose, with a few sheaths downward, the upper part racemose, straight or flexuose. Bracts triangular, somewhat boat-shaped. The stalked ovaries longer than the bracts. Flowers straight, but often nodding in dried specimens. Sepals oblong, bluntly acute. Tepals often somewhat broader, but also narrower, or equal, ligulate-acute or ligulate-obovate, pale sulphur-coloured, subsequently deep ochre-coloured. Lip adnate to the base of the column, dilated semiovate, now cuneate, now nearly heart-shaped at its base, trifid; lateral laciniæ triangular, with an acute or a straight angle; middle lacinia semi-

ovate, blunt or emarginate; a cartilaginous depressed cuneateoblong callus goes out in three teeth at the very base of the middle lacinia; sometimes there are some warts on the middle lacinia, sometimes not, as we have ascertained in various years on the flowers of the same plant in Consul Schiller's collection. Column trigonous. Androclinium bordered by three laciniæ, the middle one often cucullate, oblong, with toothlets, bearing, as is seen in Osmophytum, before it a little short broad toothletted membrane; the side laciniæ are serrate outside. The stigmatic hollow is subject to many variations, transverse oblong or transverse pandurate. Both lip and column are the same colour as the sepals and tepals. The depressed anther-case is often orange. The callus is sometimes whitish. The fruits are pear-shaped, with three argute and three depressed costæ.

The figure of the 'Botanical Register' is certainly taken from a plant flowering the first time. W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., complains, in a memorandum, that the plant we have named ochraceum is widely distinct from Dr. Lindley's,—that one has a triangular middle lacinia to the androclinium, a callus contracted in the middle, and three rows of warts. Plants flowering the first time are very deceptive, the buds having frequently suffered considerably from the voyage, or been formed by an indisposed plant.

We have never seen an inflorescence quite similar to the one represented in the 'Botanical Register.' Thus our correspondent is quite right. But we are right too, knowing perfectly Dr. Lindley's typical specimens, and having his own handwriting on the

label of a specimen given to us.

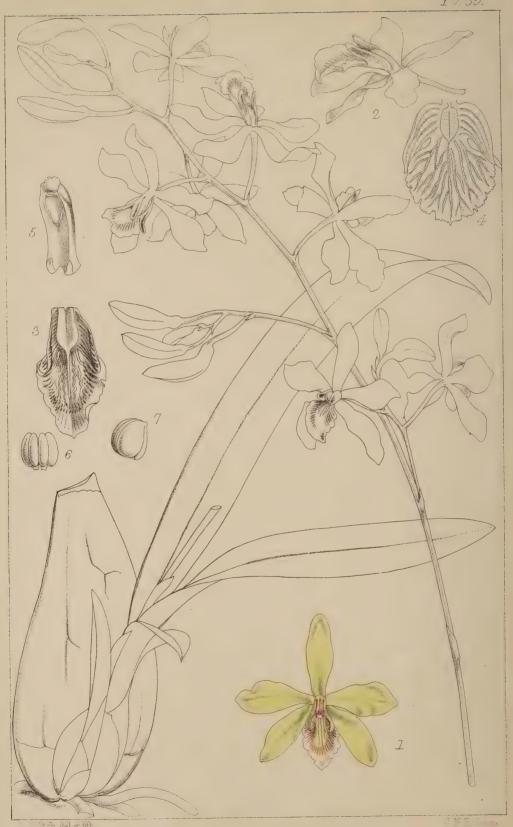
Materials: — Described from living plants in Consul Schiller's garden, with the assistance of consulting our own sketches and fifty-seven specimens in our herbarium.

Tab 88.—The plant. 1, expanded flower; 2, side view of the flower, seen obliquely; 3, oblique anterior view of lip and column; 4, 5, 6, expanded lip; 7, column, side view; 8, the same, oblique anterior view; 9, pollinaria, viewed from above; 10, side view of pollinaria: all magnified (+). Figures 5, 6, 7, from H. G. R. f.—H. G. R. f.

Epidendrum ochraceum is an interesting free-flowering species, which I received from Guatemala through the kindness of the late Mr. G. U. Skinner. It lasts in flower some time, and is not difficult to grow in a cool temperature, attached to a block of wood with a little green moss, or placed in a basket filled with peat, moss and charcoal. It is impatient of too much moisture, but does not like a dry atmosphere.—W. W. S.

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Epidendrum aromaticum, Batem.

TAB. 89.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Epidendrum, Sw.

E. AROMATICUM (Batem. Orch. Mex. Guat. t. 10!). Pseudobulbis oblongo-pyriformibus pyriformibusve subcompressis basi paucivaginatis apice di- triphyllis, radicibus filiformibus validis mediocribus, foliis ligulatis acutis coriaceis, inflorescentia racemosa seu (vulgo) paniculata, ovariis pedicellatis bracteas triangulas longe excedentibus, sepalis cuneato-ligulatis seu cuneato-oblongo-ligulatis subacutis, tepalis subæqualibus sæpe cuneato-spatulatis acutis, labello supra basin columnæ adnato, trifido, laciniis lateralibus angusto triangulis acutis seu falcato triangulis acutis, lacinia media oblongo-acuta seu rotunda apiculata crispula, callo subtiliter velutino depresso oblongo acuto sulcato nunc sessili nunc a basi abrupte in lineam brevissimam erectam basi exeunte, apice acuto in carinam excurrente; venis prope omnibus disci laciniæ anticæ lamellis crispulis onustis, columna semitereti aptera, androclinio immerso limbo hinc denticulato.—Lindl. Fol. Orch. i. Epidendrum, No. 55; Rchb. f. in Walp. Ann. vi. 238! E. incumbens, Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1840, Misc. 84! (reduced by the eminent author himself).

It appears that *E. aromaticum*, Batem., was discovered in Guatemala by the late Ure Skinner or his Indian collectors. We never saw any wild specimens in any herbarium except his own. Yet the plant has been frequently introduced alive, and is very frequently seen in collections.

Pseudobulbs oblongo-pyriform or pyriform, generally a little compressed, bearing a few triangular sheaths at their base, and with filiform strong middle-sized roots. Bracts triangular, very much shorter than the stalked ovaries. Substance of the flowers stronger than membranous, but much thinner than in the group of E. alatum, Batem. Sepals cuneate-ligulate, or cuneate oblong-ligulate, blunt or subacute, greenish yellow, very pale. Tepals nearly equal, but often very much broader towards the apex. Lip adnate over the base of the column, trifid; the lateral lacinize triangular or triangular-falcate acute, shorter than the broad oblongo-ovate, circular or flabellate acute crisp middle lacinia. At the base of the lip stands a broad oblong furrowed slightly velvety callus, running out in the ridge of the central vein of the

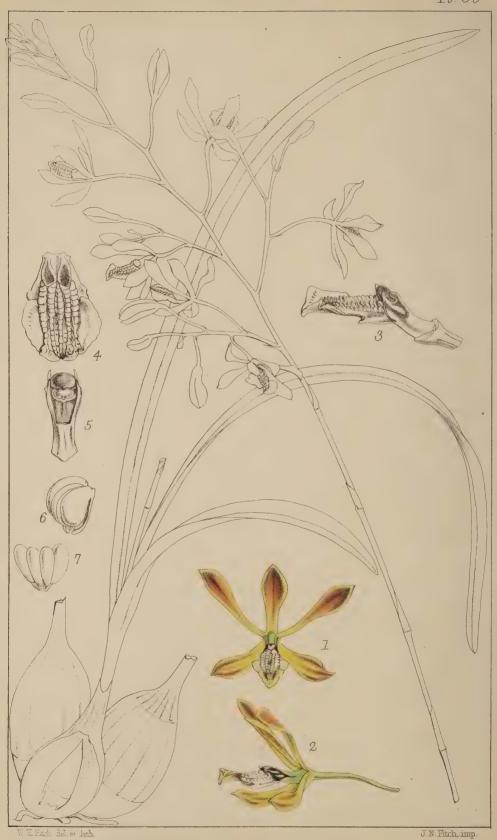
lip. All the veins are covered with crisped keels. Colour whitish, with purplish or purplish violet radiating rays over the lateral laminæ and the middle one. Column semiterete, with an impressed androclinium, whose limb is often toothletted. Anthercase depressed, sometimes a little impressed at the top. Stigmatic hollow oblong. Colour of column whitish, with some purplish or purplish violet streaks, according to the colour of the radiating streaks of the lip.

Materials: — Ure Skinner's wild specimens and sixteen garden specimens; one specimen, out of the Jardin de l'Ecole de Médecine at Paris, bears unusually large flowers; others, from the Botanic Garden at Geneva, 1853, and the garden of M. Van Houtte, Ghent, are unusually small-flowered; we saw once more, the other day, the types in Dr. Lindley's collection; description from the living plant in the Hamburgh Botanic Garden.

Tab. 89.—A very small plant. 1, an expanded flower; 2, side view of the same; 3, lip of the same; 4, expanded lip; 5, oblique view of column, anterior and side view; 6, pollinaria, seen from the top; 7, pollinaria, side view: all magnified (+). Fig. 4 by Professor Reichenbach, f.—H. G. R. f.

I first knew this *Epidendrum* from a specimen received from Mons. Von Houtte, of Ghent. I afterwards obtained it from Guatemala, through the Messrs. Low, of Clapton, and also from the late Mr. G. U. Skinner. It is a pretty sweet-smelling species, producing its flowers freely in the Mexican house, where it is grown suspended on a block of wood. It should be kept dry during the season of rest.—W. W. S.

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Epidendrum serratum Lindl.

TAB. 90.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Epidendrum, Sw.

E. SERIATUM, Lindl. Folia i. Epidendrum, No. 183. Aulizeum: pseudobulbis pyriformibus di-penta-phyllis, foliis lineari-lanceolatis acuminatis, racemo seu panicula porrecto, ovariis longi-pedicellatis, sepalis cuneato-oblongis acutis, tepalis a basi filiformi-lineari ovatis acutis longioribus, labello oblongo-ligulato seu ligulato utrinque ante basin plicato, apice retusiusculo-emarginato seu acutiusculo, callis geminis in ima basi venis quinis carinis multilobo plicatis depressis onustis, columna apice tridentata. — E. luteo-roseum, A. Rich, Gal. O. Mex. No. 32, 1844! E. seriatum, Lindl. l. c. 1853 (sub Amphiglottio); Rchb. f. Orchid. Lansbergiana, No. 7!

The original discoverers of this species would appear to be Ruiz and Pavon! We obtained a proof of this from E. Boissier, Esq. It was subsequently gathered by Leibold, 1841, 1842! near Zacuapan in Mexico; by Galeotti! 1840, in the province of Oaxaca, 5000! No. 5233! Linden found it near Mirador. We have also at hand good specimens from Guatemala, June, 1866, from Dr. Bernouilli! Our friend H. Wagener has gathered the same plant near Caraccas, perhaps in 1850, and it was found there also by the Consul von Lansberg!

The priority of name belongs to Achille Richard, who gave the following diagnosis: — "Pseudobulbis ovoideo-oblongis parvulis, caule 3-4 phyllo, floribus parvulis luteoroseis paniculatis, labello albido-violaceo ovali-obtuso emarginato 5-nervis glanduloso." Dr. Lindley having obtained a garden specimen from J. Bateman, Esq., was so unfortunate as to place it in a wrong section, as well as to speak of the lip as being linear, an error which arose from his specimen not being well pressed. Yet Dr. Lindley has well described the inflorescence and the flower, when Achille Richard had given such a diagnosis "that Œdipus himself would not have guessed the plant," speaking even from glandulæ, where there are none. According to our principles we have preferred Lindley's name. We are quite disposed to leave to Achille Richard the priority for all species not described later by Lindley or by ourselves, and we possess now types of nearly all his species. But we cannot feel disposed to encourage the suppression of names introduced later, where it is impossible to make out the species originally intended. It is quite a different thing with names given by older authors at a period when accuracy was not believed necessary. In Achille Richard's time the models given by some grand

writers, who gave themselves the necessary trouble and time with what they intended to make public, were fully known, and should not have been frivolously neglected, but thankfully imitated.

Aërial roots very numerous, quite glabrous, intricate. Pseudobulbs pyriform, covered when young with some sheaths which decay early, the upper one remaining longest and having lost its short lamina; older pseudobulbs swollen, with some furrows and wrinkles. Leaves two, frequently three, sometimes four, linearligulate, acute, rather thin. Inflorescence having the rachis clad below with some long but distant sheaths, not observed in good development by our artist. The sheaths no doubt gave Dr. Lindley the idea that he had to deal with an Amphiglottium. Raceme single or nicely branched, the branches more or less flexuose, which our artist has failed to observe. The branches usually have at their base such developed sheaths as there are on the flowerless part of the rhachis. Bracts triangular-acuminate, much shorter than the long stalked ovaries. Sepals cuneateoblong acute, greenish, with some brown or reddish hue inside. Tepals equal, but with longer and narrower claws. Lip adnate below the stigma, oblong-ligulate or ligulate, with a fold on each side near the base, truncate-emarginate, seldom acute, often undulated at the sides, whitish, with yellow and some violet or rosy dots: two depressed triangular or ligulate calli at the base. The five central veins are covered with many-lobed depressed plaited crests, conveying quite the impression of pavement. The trigonous ascendent green column has a trifid androclinium, the teeth generally being acute, but the laterals observed toothletted in the Langsbergian specimens. There are some violet streaks on the sides of the column, and the depressed anther-case usually is violet also.

Materials:—We once more observed the type in Dr. Lindley's herbarium the other day, and have at hand our own sketches, and the rich materials alluded to before.

Tab. 90.—A plant with an inflorescence. 1, front view of a flower, lip acute; 2. side view of the same; 3, ditto, the sepals, tepals and inferior part of ovary being removed; 4, lip, expanded, a very broad and emarginate one; 5, front view of column; 6, pollinaria, side view; 7, the same, front view: all magnified.—H. G. R. f.

Another species of *Epidendrum* which I received from Guatemala through the kindness of the late Mr. G. U. Skinner. It has long grass-like leaves, which give the plant a peculiar appearance. It flowers pretty freely, and keeps in a healthy condition, treated as recommended for the last species (Tab. 89).—W. W. S.

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Epidendrum antenniferum, Lindl.

TAB. 91.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Epidendrum, Sw.

E. Antenniferum, Lindl. Paxton's Flower Garden, i., Gleanings, 234 ic 113! (labello forsan monstrose quinquedentato), Folia i. Epidendrum, No. 195; Rehb. f. in Walp. Annal. vi. 382! Amphiglottium seu potius Aulizeum, caulibus cæspitosis humilibus pauci-vaginatis di- triphyllis, foliis cuneato-oblongis acutis geminis ternisve, pedunculo longissime exserto multivaginato, vaginis compressis acutis marcescentibus, anthesi terminali peracta ramulis lateralibus evolutis Epidendri fuscati, Sw., more, bracteis triangulis acutis parvis, ovariis longi-pedicellatis, sepalo summo a basi unguiculata ligulato seu ligulato, sepalis lateralibus oblongis acutis multo latioribus, tepalis linearibus summo apice spatulatis sepala in planta spontanea prope quater, in planta culta nunc vix ter, longe excedentibus deflexis, labello a basi rotundato dilatato obtuse trilobo, lobis lateralibus rotundatis, callo depresso antice tridentato in ima basi, androclinio integro. - E. longipetalum, A. Rich. & Gal. in Ann. des Sc. Natur. 1845, p. 22, et tab. ined. Orch. Mex. 17.

This curious plant was discovered, as it appears by Galeotti, in 1840, at Talea, near Oaxaca, in Mexico, 4000! Perhaps the discovery belongs to Jürgensen, as the high numbers above 5000 of Galeotti usually do: our plant is his No. 5238. In 1841 it was gathered on Quercus crassipes, H. B. K., at the foot of the Pic de Orizaba, over Calcahuallo, 6-7000', by Liebmann, whose specimen was at hand, lent from the Museum of Copenhagen. We obtained two very good specimens out of Schmitz's Mexican herbarium; one has a lateral inflorescence, with leafy bracts. Though no locality is indicated, one may guess they came from the vicinity of the capital of Mexico, since the late Schmitz could not extend far his excursions from that town. Dr. Lindley, we believe, got the plant only from gardens. The two specimens he obtained came from Xalapa, Henchmann, and out of the famous garden of M. Pescatore at La Celle de St. Cloud. We have ascertained that his own specimens have a trilobed lip, not a five-toothed one, as the woodcut in Paxton's 'Flower Garden' represents. It perhaps would be justice to rest on Achille Richard's elder name, his diagnosis being quite excentionally good, indeed almost sufficient for us to fairly

recognise the plant. The late Dr. Lindley also added, at page 84, No. 265, to Achille Richard's description, "Compare with E. antenniferum." And yet A. Richard rendered it quite impossible to be sure of the question, since he placed his species under Eu-epidendrum, which excludes any sheaths on the common peduncle. Hence we cannot restore his name, and Lindley cannot be blamed for having named the plant once more. This plant has, unfortunately for cultivators, the bad propensity of dying when it has flowered. It can never be kept in gardens, it would seem.

Stems short and cæspitose, with some soon fugacious decaying triangular sheaths. Leaves two to three, oblong-acute, rather thick, very nervose on under side when dried. Peduncle very long, covered with ancipitous acute sheaths. Raceme terminal, and when it is decayed some lateral racemes appear. Bracts triangular, a third the length of the long stalked ovaries. Upper sepal ligulate, blunt or acute, sometimes much narrower at its base; lateral sepals much broader, ovate-acute; all olive-green with a brownish hue, or "whitish rose-colour" according to Galeotti. Tepals linear, spatulate at the end, much longer than the sepals and hanging down, greenish. Lip rounded at its base, broad, with three blunt triangular lobes and a depressed callus on its base, bearing in front three short teeth: it is greenish and reddish brown. Column clavate, with an entire androclinium.

Materials: — Four herbarium specimens; we saw in all only seven specimens; we never saw the plant alive.

Tab. 91.—The plant. 1, anterior view of a flower; 2, the same, side view; 3, expanded lip; 4, side view of lip; 5, column, anterior view; 6, pollinaria, upper view; 7, pollinaria, side view: all magnified.—
H. G. R. f.

A rare and remarkable species of *Epidendrum*, known by its long narrow pendent tepals. It grows without difficulty in the Mexican house, fastened on a block of wood, with a little moss and kept near the light. It should never be allowed to get dry. My specimens were obtained from the Messrs. Low, of Clapton, who received them from Mexico.—W. W. S.

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Hexadesmia crurigera Lindl

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TAB. 92.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Hexadesmia, Brongn.

H. CRURIGERA, Lindl. Bot. Reg. xxx., Misc. 4, 1844! Dense cæspitosa, caulibus a basi tenui teretiuscula, in pseudobulbos fusiformes dilatatis, foliis linearibus apice minute bidentatis solitariis geminis teruis, pedunculo capillaris basi vaginato, apice racemoso, racemo bi-, trifloro erecto, ovariis longi-pedicellatis bracteas bene superantibus, mento obtusangulo magno, sepalis oblongo-lanceolatis acutis, tepalis nunc latioribus, labello cuneato flabellato flexo antice nunc crenulato, apice retuso bilobo, lobo altero alteri imposito, columna gracili semitereti, fovea cordiformi seu elliptica parva.—Hexopia crurigera, Batem. MSS. apud Lindl. l. c. Hexadesmia divaricata, Hort. Paris! H. crurigera, Lindl., Rchb. f., Xenia Orchidacea, i. p. 168, tab. 59! i. 1—3; Beit. Orchid. Centr. Amerik. p. 55, 89!

This plant is described as coming from Guatemala. Perhaps the garden specimens we observed in Consul Schiller's and Mr. W. W. Saunders' stoves came from there. They were received from the late Mr. Skinner, who sometimes also introduced Costa Rica plants. The very numerous specimens in our herbarium are from Costa Rica, Cartago, 5000'; Irusa, 8—9000', Oersted! Cartago, 22.3, 1857, Wendland! Nice small specimens are collected by Ruiz and Pavon! The plant does not occur among Dr. Bernouilli's rich Guatemalese collections. A flower given to us by Dr. Lindley is marked "Guatemala."

The plant forms dense tufts, the bulbs rising near one another from the thin rhizomes and the thin filiform flexuose roots, now and then rough on their surfaces. The fusiform pseudobulbs, now compared with shanks, have a much thinner stalk, and consist of from two to three joints. The very base of the stalk is generally thickened in a little bulbous pyriform mass. The inferior sheaths soon lose their articulated triangular laminar apex. Leaves generally two, occasionally one or three, linear, with an equally or unequally bidentate apex, of a very firm texture, light green. Inflorescence terminal, straight, racemose, bearing two, three or only one flower. The peduncle is thin and firm. Bracts triangular, acute, nearly half the length of the whitish stalks to the thicker green ovaries. The chin of the flower is blunt and very

prominent. Sepals oblong-acute, white. Tepals nearly equal, generally broader, more obtuse, equally white. Lip ascending from the base and bent down with the anterior part, cuneate-flabellate, two-lobed at the apex, the one overlapping the other, white, with a greenish or yellowish disk. Column trigono-clavate, white, with a violet or purplish back and front, under the round or reniform or elliptical stigmatic hollow. Androclinium immersed, bearing a depressed anther-case with six locelli. Each of the two pollinaria bears on the upper end two pollinia bent inwards, and the lower end one also bent inwards.

Materials: — The types of the Lindleyan herbarium, very numerous specimens in our own collection, and the living plants in the collections of W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., and Consul Schiller; numerous sketches made at various times; a type from Dr. Lindley himself.

Tab. 92.—The plant. 1, side view of flower; 2, anterior view of flower; 3, oblique side view of flower, the sepals and tepals removed; 4, front view of pollinarium; 5, side view of pollinarium: all magnified.—H. G. R. f.

A very interesting and curious Orchid, producing its flowers very freely. My specimens were sent to me from Guatemala by the late Mr. G. U. Skinner. The plant will thrive on a block of wood or cork with a little moss, and grown in the temperature of the Mexican house. During the season of rest it must be kept moderately dry.—W. W. S.

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Ponera amethystina, Rohb. f.

TAB. 93.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Ponera, Lindl.

P. AMETHYSTINA, Rehb. f. MSS. Radicibus filiformibus minutissime granulatis deflexis, pseudobulbis aggregatis stipitatis articulis octonis seu novenis, stipito primum vaginate, parte maxime ipsa seu internodio maximo ligulato filiformi subcompresso obtusangulo transsectione elliptico, foliis geminis lineari-ligulatis apice bilobis, pseudobulbis novellis ex axilla unici folii, sympodiis in de quasi moniliformibus, articulis sibi invicem suppositis, racemis subumbellato terminalibus, bracteis lanceis acutis scariosis, ovariis pedicellatis longe exsertis, mento obtusangulo retrorso, sepalis tepalisque ligulatis subacutis apicem versus nunc dilatatis, labelli unqe lineari, lamina hastata trifida refracta laciniis lateralibus subquadratis divaricatis, lacinia media emarginata retusiuscula, columna gracili utrinque sub fovea cornu assurgente obsagittata, rostello deflexo emarginato.

Sent from Santa Fé de Veraguas, by the late Mr. Skinner, to W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., being one of the novelties obtained by the efforts made to obtain materials for the 'Refugium.'

The species stands near *Ponera stellata*, Rchb. f. (Scaphyglottis stellata, Lindl.) Yet that has quite linear leaves, very short side lobes to the lip, and an acute middle lobe. The two horns of the column would appear to be strictly divaricate. We have examined once more the Lindleyan type we possess, and in October, at Kew, saw the type of the Lindleyan herbarium.

Roots thin, filiform, hanging down, with very small granulations on the surface. Pseudobulbs standing close together, stipitate, consisting of eight or nine joints; the principal part, forming the greater portion of the bulb, is ligulate-fusiform, compressed, obtuse-angled, elliptical in cross-section, bearing two linear-ligulate bilobed leaves, and between them the terminal inflorescence arising from the axil of one of those leaves and forming a new axis, so that one may find three bulbs standing one over the other. There are sheaths on the bulbs, forming a series of distichous scales under the larger joint: these, when young, have articulated acute laminæ, which fall away very early. A young shoot consists of a number of such distichous sheaths and of leaves. The inflorescence is a short umbel-like or sub-

corymbose raceme. Bracts lanceolate, acute, scarious, one-nerved. Stalked ovaries much exserted. Chin obtusangular, retrorse. Sepals and tepals ligulate-subacute, sometimes dilated towards their apex, whitish with some purple and green. Lip with a linear equal claw, and a refract trifid hastate lamina. Lateral laciniae of the lamina nearly quadrate or obtusangular; the middle lacinia retuse emarginate; the lip light purplish, with some darker purplish veins. Column slender, trigonous, purplish, bearing on each side of the stigmatic hollow an ascending subulate or trigonous arm. Rostellum deflexed, emarginate. Anthercase depressed, deep purplish; four pollinaria bent inwards, bearing a confluent bifid caudicula.

The artist has observed a hollow at the base of the column, and a similar one at the base of the claw of the lip. We had not the opportunity of seeing any such things in the fresh flowers, nor can we see such in the carefully expanded dried flowers we have at hand. Yet such ornaments are developed in some *Poneras*, and they may perhaps only be developed in older specimens. We have frequently observed that the first flowers obtained in our stoves are very often not so fully developed as those we obtain from fully-established plants.

Materials:—Sketches and descriptions from living plants; one dried specimen: all taken from the single living plant we know of, that in the Saundersian collection.

Tab. 93.—A plant. 1, side view of a two-flowered raceme; 2, front view of expanded flower; 3, lateral view of flower, both sepals and tepals removed; 4, oblique view of lip; 5, column, front view; 6, pollinaria, seen from above; 7, side view of the same; all magnified.—H. G. R. f.

This rare Orchid, with very small flowers and curiously formed stems, I obtained from Santa Fé de Veraguas, through the kindness of the late Mr. G. U. Skinner. It thrives, and flowers regularly in the Mexican house, grown on a block of wood, and abundantly supplied with moisture during the growing season. During rest it must be kept moderately dry.—W. W. S.





Hartwegia purpuraa Land

TAB. 94.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Hartwegia, Lindl.

H. Purpurea, Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1837, sub 1971! Caulibus secundariis a basi tumida in pseudobulbos cylindraceós seu extinctoriiformes sulcatos a squamis vestitos extensis monophyllis, folio a basi rotundata imo subcordata triangulo seu lanceo, acuto, valde coriaceocarnoso, pedunculo longissime exserto multi-articulato, articulis a vaginis nervosis prope tectis, apice racemoso, post racemi terminalis anthesin nunc ramulis lateralibus racemigeris paniculato, bracteis triangulis ovaria pedicellata longe non æquantibus, mento obtusangulo, sepalis oblongo-triangulis obtuse acutis, sepalo supremo angustiori, tepalis lineari-ligulatis obtusis, labello usque ad medium cum columna connata, ima basi saccato, dein sigmoideo, parte libera cordato-triangula seu ovato-triangula, ima basi involuta, lobulato plicata, columna trigona arcuata, apice paulo seu alis dolabriformibus dilatata. — H. purpurea, Lindl., var. angustifolia, Bot. Reg. 1843, Misc. 58!

A highly interesting genus, standing near *Hexissea*, Lindl., but well distinguished by the base of the lip and column. It was discovered by, and named in honour of, Hartweg, the excellent traveller of the Royal Horticultural Society. It has frequently been found in various parts of S. Mexico, by Schiede! Ehrenberg! Jürgensen! Leibold! Galeotti! We obtained it from Guatemala through Dr. Bernoulli!

Rhizome short, annulated, with some whitish flexuose roots. Pseudobulbs rounded at their bases, then cylindrical or cylindrical-infundibular, with some ribs covered with sheaths. Leaf very leathery, fleshy, of very various forms, heart-shaped, rounded, rarely subcuneate at its base, obtriangular or nearly oblongolanceolate, acute, mottled with whitish green on a dark green surface. Peduncle very long, even two feet long, much articulated, the joints covered with ancipitous acute sheaths. Inflorescence a terminal raceme, followed by some lateral racemes in very strong individuals, exactly as in Epidendrum fuscatum. Bracts triangular, much shorter than the purplish stalked ovaries. Flowers amethyst-colour. Chin blunt. Sepals oblong, the lateral ones broader at their base. Tepals ligulate, acute. Lip half-

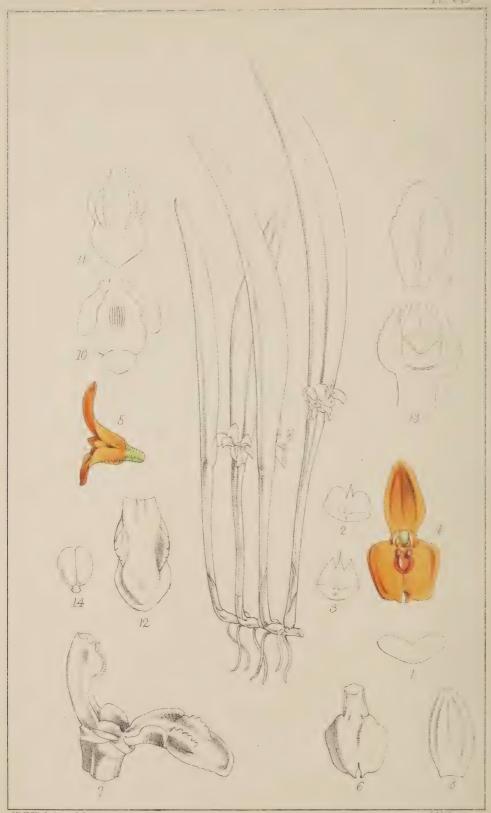
connate with column, hollowed out at its base in a blunt sac, and then bent inwards. The free lamina is oblongo-triangular or cordato-triangular, involved and with lobed plaits at its base. Column trigonous. Androclinium trilobed. Side wings occasionally much developed. Stigma transverse, covered by the dependent rostellum. Anther-case and pollinaria as in Epidendrum.

Materials: — My sketches, the oldest one made in 1844; living specimens in the Botanic Garden; and copious dried specimens (twenty-seven).

Tab. 94.—A plant. 1, oblique anterior view of a flower; 2, side view of a flower; 3, the same, both sepals and tepals removed; 4, the lip, the superior part cut away from the column; 5, column, front view, the lip removed: 6, pollinaria, upper view; 7, the same, side view: all magnified.—H. G. R. f.

A beautiful little plant, with richly spotted leaves. Its small bright rosy purple flowers are produced on thin stems, sometimes two feet or more in length, and are to be found on the plant at all seasons of the year. It is very easy of cultivation when placed on a block of wood, or in a small basket filled with charcoal, peat and sphagnum. It requires a cool temperature. My plants were obtained from Guatemala through the late Mr. G. U. Skinner.—W. W. S.

UMANY:



Pleurothallis bilamellata Robb.f.

TAB. 95.

Tribe Malaxideæ. Genus Pleurothallis, R. Br.

P. BILAMELLATA, Rehb.f. in v. Schlechtendal, Linnaa, xxii. p. 830. Dense cæspitosa, caule secundario trigono, demum quinque-sulcato, folio cuneato ligulato-lineari lanceo dorso infra nervum medium obtusangulo transsectione subtrigono, valde crasso, apice angustissime tridentato, dentibus lateralibus nunc obliteratis, floribus aggregatis paucis, ovario subpapuloso, sepalo summo oblongo-lanceo, seu ovatoligulato obtuso seu apiculato, limbo nunc ciliatulo papuloso, sepalis lateralibus connatis cuneato transverso-oblongis seu subquadratis apice minute bifidis, supra nervos medios extus carinatis, tepalis oblongo rhombeis antice denticulatis, labello a basi subcordata seu humerato dilatato trifido, laciniis lateralibus rhombeis extrorsis, lacinia antica porrecta cuneato-oblonga obtuse-acuta, carinis geminis oblique elevatis semiovatis seu semiquadratis integris seu lobulatis, seu crenulatis a regione antebasilari in discum anticum seu medium, columna trigona, dorso carinata, androclinii limbo membranaceo denticulato integro seu trifido, lacinia postica retuso lobulata, laciniis lateralibus semiovatis acutis. — Pleurothallis bilamellata, Rehb. f. Lindl. Folia, ii. Pleurothallis, No. 58! P. obscura, Rich. Gal. Orch. Mex. p. 17! Lindl. loc. c. sub P. angustifolia, No. 89!

We obtained the living plant from gardens at Berlin, Hamburgh, London, Reigate, out of the Botanic Gardens, the collections of Messrs. Schiller, J. Day, W. Wilson Saunders. But among all the numerous Mexican collections we have obtained or had lent, the plant has only occurred once. Mirador; Liebmann! Herb. of Copenhagen. Yet all the garden specimens had been stated to be Mexican. Now, as to Pleurothallis obscura, A. Rich., Gal., there has been no specimen used at all for the diagnosis, "Folio lanceolato acuto; floribus obscure brunneis 2-3 ad basin folio." It is described from out of Galeotti's sketches, now in our hands. The plant agrees pretty well as to the leaves, yet the flowers are smaller, deep chocolate-brown in lieu of cinnabar-red, and the lip is represented entire. Neither Galeotti's own private collection, now in my possession, nor Achille Richard's herbarium, contain any materials; yet Galeotti's sketches were very nice, but without any analytical details, nor would be appear to have much cared whether the lip was entire or trifid. The figure shows four stems, two without flowers, one with two flowers, one with two buds. We are at a loss to understand how Achille Richard indicated two to three flowers.

Rhizome creeping, with membranous, nervose, dense sheaths. Roots very numerous, thin, bent and flexed, beautifully green when young. Secondary stems with few narrow sheaths, trigonous, at length with five or three furrows. Leaf cuneateligulate, with three very sharp teeth at the apex, nearly trigonous; the side teeth of the leaf are sometimes obliterated. Flowers one to three, very thickish, bivalvate, bright cinnabar-red. The superior sepal oblong-ligulate or ligulate, apiculate, now with minute papilla on the sides, three-nerved; side sepals connate, very broad, sometimes oblong or nearly quadrangular, bifid at the tip or only bidentate, with keels over the middle nerves out-Tepals much shorter, rhombeo-lanceolate, toothletted towards the apex, one-nerved. Lip cuneate-oblong, slightly acute or obtuse, trifid; the lateral laciniæ rhomboid or semiovate. The lamelle in the disk are sometimes short, sometimes so long as to reach nearly to the apex of the lip, but never to the base; they are semiovate or semioblong, crenulated, lobed or entire. The trigonous column is usually keeled over its back, and bears a membranous border around the androclinium, either equally toothletted or nearly entire, or trifid with semiovate acute lateral parts, and an erose central part. The pollinia are coherent by a viscid cellular mass.

Materials: — Five sketches made at various times; seven herbarium specimens; a description of the living plant, prepared at Reigate, October, 1868.

Tab. 95.—The plant. 1, cross section of a leaf; 2, unusual form of apex of leaf; 3, usual form of the same; 4, front view of a flower; 5, side view of a flower; 6, inferior side of a flower; 7, side view of a flower, without sepals and tepals, the lip being bent down; 8, superior sepal; 9, tepal; 10, 11, 12, various lips; 13, front view of a column; 14, pollinarium: all magnified. All drawn by W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., except the figures 2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 13, added by Professor Reichenbach, f.— H. G. R. f.

A very free-flowering species of *Pleurothallis*, with thick rigid leaves. It seems to thrive best when grown on a small block of wood placed near the light, and, like most of the smaller species of this genus, it should not be allowed to become dry at any time. I received my plants from Mexico through Mons. Boucard. The temperature of the Mexican house suits the plant well.— W. W. S.

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TAB. 96.

Tribe Malaxideæ. Genus Physosiphon, *Lindl*.

P. Punctulatus, Rehb. f. in v. Mohl. & v. Schlechtendal Bot. Zeit. 1866, p. 385. Caule secundario brevissimo, cæspitosus, folio spatulato apice subinæqualiter bilobo cum apiculo interjecto, carnosissimo, pedunculo tenui capillari folium bene excedente minute ac distanter nigro-punctato pluri-vaginato, vaginis ochreatis acutis, bracteis ochreatis ovaria pedicellata non æquantibus, perigonio externo tubuloso, sepalis per nervos medios extos carinatis, medium usque fissis, laciniis oblongis obtuse acutis, tepalis brevissimis ligulatis apice retusis cum apiculo in medio (nunc simpliciter acutis?), labello a cuneata basi medio trifido, laciniis lateralibus semiquadratis, lacinia antica oblonga, carnosissima papulosa, columnæ androclinio apice trilobo lobis lateralibus obtusis, lobo medio retuso emarginato.

We were astonished to find, in 1865, this little insignificant plant with S. Rucker, Esq., West Hill, Wandsworth, in his magnificent collection. We had a second time the pleasure of seeing it in October and November, 1868, in the garden of W. Wilson Saunders, Esq.

A cæspitose plant. Aërial roots filiform, long, flexuose, shrivelled. Secondary stems very short, with two or three brown nervous sheaths, the superior one being the wider. Leaf cuneateoblong, blunt, with two obtuse edges and a very small apiculus at the top, very fleshy, fornicate, furrowed at the inner base. The cellules containing rhaphides are very conspicuous on the under side. Peduncle filiform, at length bent down, much longer than the leaf, with many distant acute sheaths, racemose at the summit. Bracts ochreate, oblong, acute. Sepals erect, connate to the middle, very fleshy, equally split in three oblong retuse lobes, with a little mucro at their end, and keels running over their middle line outside, greenish yellow or honey-coloured, with a deep violaceous or purplish spot at each of both sides under the union of the dorsal and the lateral sepal. Tepals cuneate, obtuse, nearly retuse, with a little apiculus, deep purplish violet, three times shorter than the sepals. Lip ascending, curved, ligulate, obtuse, with minute acute warts at its end and

also underneath, and an oblong angulate keel on each side, running in the disk, deep purplish violet, more purplish near the base. Column slender, arched, bearing an erect limb around the androclinium, white with purplish angles. Rostellum retuse, hanging over the transverse stigmatic hollow. Anther-case mitrate, obtuse, whitish with a violet summit. Pollinia two, with a cellulous combining matter in place of a caudicula.

Materials: — A sketch and description, prepared at Kew, from the Ruckerian specimen, and the same prepared at Reigate, in the Saundersian house, in October, 1868; two herbarium specimens.

Tab. 96.—The plant. 1, apex of the leaf; 2, one flower, with the bract and a part of the rachis; 3, front view of a flower; 4, side view of a flower, the outer perigone being removed; 5, anterior view of a column, with tepals viewed in front; 6 & 7, lip; 8, side view of pollinia; 9, front view of the same: all magnified. The figures 1 and 6 added by Professor Reichenbach, f.—H. G. R. f.

A very delicate and interesting little Orchid, native of Bogota, from whence it was obtained by Mons. Linden, of Brussels, who sent it to me. It should be grown on a small block of wood with a little green moss, and kept moist at all times. Its roots are very thin and wire-like, perishing soon if exposed to a dry atmosphere.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 97.

Tribe NEOTTIACEE. Genus Pelexia, Poit. & L. C. Rich.

P. TRILOBA (Lindl.! Gen. & Sp. Orch. 483!) Radice fasciculata, fibris cylindraceis acutis villosis, foliis paucis rosulatis longius petiolatis, lamina cuneata oblonga acuta, caule florido multo brevioribus, caule vulgo bipedali usque quadripedali, vaginis oblongis acuminatis basi arctis superne laxis, infimis approximatis, medianis distantibus, pilis infra quibusdam sparsis, superne approximatis, racemo elongato multifloro, floribus anthesi haud ita approximatis, bracteis ligulatis acuminatis quinquenerviis, basi sæpe oblique insertis, ovaria brevissima seu non pedicellata subæquantibus, ovariis subcalvis, sepalo summo abbreviato ovato acuto, sepalis lateralibus triangulo-falcatis in cornu cylindraceo-extinctoriiforme antice altius fissum coalitis, tepalis cuneato-oblongis acutis, labello ligulato, apice attenuato acuto, ante apicem utrinque acutangulo, disco papulis quibusdam clavatis, columna libera clavata, androclinio antice rotundato cum apiculo, lateribus immarginato, fovea supposita obsemilunata seu triangula, anthera oblonga, per dorsum carina obtusata, polliniis geminis oblongis, utrinque ex lobis seriatis fissis, caudicula brevi alte fissa, glandula oblonga acuta obscura.

When Dr. Lindley published the plant he was not aware of its habitat: "I have often received this plant from garden collectors, but never with any intimation of its native country, which, however, is no doubt Tropical America." Whether the area of the plant is a wide one I cannot say. I have at hand a specimen collected by Riedel, sandy places of woods, Restinga Tijuca, in Brazil, Aug. 1833! Mr. Weddel's No. 510! gathered near Rio, would appear to be the same. Probably the plant is to be found in many other places, but our knowledge of terrestrial Orchids is very poor, since they are now-a-days generally totally neglected by collectors. The plant in the Saundersian collection came from Rio. In former times it was frequently met with in German collections, but I feel great doubts whether there may now be a single plant in all the gardens of the Continent.

Root fascicled, with cylindrical, acute, very hairy fibres. Leaves few, three to four, with long, channelled stalks, cuneate-oblong, acute, beautifully green, and of a thickish texture. Common flower-stalk cylindrical, with some adpressed acute sheaths, the inferior ones approximate, the superior distant, with a few scattered hairs below and a large number between the flowers. Inflorescence racemoso-spicate, the pedicels being only well developed in the lower part. Flowers not very crowded, but very numerous, of a uniform green. Bracts ligulate, acuminate, fivenerved, very often unusually oblique at their base, nearly equal to the ovaries. Ovaries nearly or totally hairless. Upper sepal short, ovate, acuminate. Lateral sepals triangular-falcate, expanded into a cylindrical horn, slit very deeply on the anterior side. Tepals cuneate-oblong, acute. Lip ligulate, attenuate, lanceolate before the angular lateral lobes, with some pimply hairs on the disk. Free column clavate. Androclinium rounded, with a small point in the middle and no borders on the side. Stigmatic hollow crescent-shaped or triangular. Anther oblong, with a blunt keel over the ridge. Pollinia two, each consisting of lobes. Caudicle short, deeply slit. Glandule oblong-acute, dark.

Materials:—Two analytical sketches prepared from fresh flowers; twelve herbarium specimens.

Tab. 97.—Upper and lower part of the plant. 1, front view of a flower +; 2, side view of a flower +; 3, part of flower; sepals, petals cut, except a part of the spur to show the places where the lip is adherent, as is usual in the genus +; 4, column +; 5, pollinarium, added by Rchb. f.—H. G. R. f.

My specimens of this plant I received from Rio Janeiro, collected there by the late Mr. D. Bowman. The plant is of easy cultivation and flowers freely, potted in spongy peat with a little loam, and well drained. It should be grown in a damp, shady, cool stove.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 98.

Tribe NEOTTIACE.E. Genus Prescottia, Lindl.

P. densiflora (Lindl.! Ann. Nat. Hist. vi. 1841, p. 52! Gen. & Sp. 455!)

Radice fasciculata, foliis rosulatis cuneato-oblongis acutis decrescentibus, pedunculo parce vaginato, squamis inferioribus vaginatis acutis fissis, superioribus sessilibus ligulatis acutis, spica cylindracea elongata, bracteis ovatis acuminatis seu triangulis trinerviis ovaria æquantibus, ovariis crasso-turbinatis, sepalo dorsali oblongo acuto, sepalis lateralibus subæqualibus basi coalitis subsaccatis, tepalis ligulatis acutis, labello saccato basi superiori utrinque juxta columnam auriculato, columna crassa brevi, auricula extrorsa retusa utrinque juxta antheram.

—Decaisnea densiftora, Ad. Brogn. in Duperrey, Voyage Coquille, 192, t. 139!

This species was collected in St. Catherine, Brazil, in the Voyage de la Coquille, and appears to be much rarer than the *Prescottia micrantha*, Lindl., which is very common in herbaria. I have one specimen from Pabst! gathered also at St. Catherine. Mr. Linden introduced it from St. Catherine, and had it in flower in May, 1866. I may add that in the spring of 1872 I was favoured by W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., with a very gay and interesting monster of the same plant. It was an inflorescence simulating *Encomis*, all the upper bracts being expanded into a beautiful crown or coma of broad and short leaves, closely imbricated one on another, like the leaves of some *Semperviva*.

Root-fibres fasciculate. Leaves rosulate, cuneate-oblong, the upper ones smaller, somewhat glaucous. Common flower-stalk glabrous, with some distant sheaths, and a very dense long spike. Bracts ovate, acuminate, or triangular, three-nerved, as long as the thick turbinate ovaries. Dorsal sepal oblong-acute; lateral sepals nearly alike, but connate in a sacciform pouch at their base. Tepals ligulate, acute. Lip saccate, with a wide opening and a small rounded auricle at its base at each side of the column. Column stout, with an extrorse retuse auricle on each side of the anther. Pollinia four, powdery, with a small round gland. The small flowers are whitish, with rosy tips to the sepals.

Materials:—One wild and one garden specimen; a sketch made from the living plant; and Dr. Lindley's analysis.

Tab. 98.—Plant, with cut common flower-stalk; 1, flower, side view +; 2, flower, seen from front side +; 3, lip +; 4, column, anterior side +; 5, column, side view +.

The closely-packed flowers of this interesting species of *Prescottia* form a cylindrical spike about five inches long. I received the plant without locality from Mons. J. Linden, of Brussels. It flowers freely when treated as *Pelexia triloba*: see Tab. 92.—W. W. S.





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TAB. 99.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Odontoglossum, H. B. K.

O. RINGENS, Rehb. f. Pseudobulbo oblongo ancipiti diphyllo, foliis ligulatis acutis pergameneis, panicula fractiflexa multiflora, sepalis oblongo-ligulatis acutis, lateralibus labello suppositis, tepalis oblongis acutis limbo valde crispatis, labello pandurato antice latiore crispo acuto, callo obsellæformi a basi in discum, utrinque basi semiovato serrulato, antice tridentato, carinula antice interposita, columna clavata, alis prope obsoletis pone limbum foveæ productis, dentibus oblongis geminis sub fovea.

This species appears to have been found only by Pearce in Peru. I have obtained it from the nursery of Messrs. Veitch. I was, however, not so fortunate as our artist, who saw the flowers of the most beautiful yellow. My flowers were pallid or sulphurcoloured, with brown blotches on the tepals, small short brown blotches on the sepals (not observed by Mr. Fitch), and some violet streaks at the base of the lip. It is very interesting that the position of the parts of the flower reminds one of Oncidium phymatochilum or ochmatochilum. The flowers are as large as those of a good variety of Odontoglossum læve. The tepals, however, are very crisp at their border.

Pseudobulbs oblong, ancipitous, two-leaved. Leaves ligulate, acute, parchment-like. Panicle zigzag, many-flowered. Sepals oblong-ligulate, acute, the lateral ones bent under the lip and usually reflexed at their tips. Tepals oblong-acute, very wavy in their limb. Lip pandurate, broader towards the reflexed acute tip, with a saddle-like callosity from the base to the disk and a serrate border towards the base, and two to three teeth in the anterior part and a small keel between the two. Column clavate, with nearly obsolete scarcely perceptible wings near the borders of the stigmatic hollow, and two tooth-like blunt lobes beneath it.

Materials:—A beautiful herbarium specimen sent in 1867 by Messrs. Veitch; and sketches and description, both made from the living plant.

Tab. 99.—Part of inflorescence and plant; 1, front view of lip and column +; 2, pollinarium, side view +.

I am indebted to the Messrs. Veitch for allowing me to figure this plant. It was sent to this country from Peru by Messrs. Veitch's energetic collector, Mr. Pearce.—W. W. S.





TAB. 100.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus TRICHOPILIA, Lindl.

T. ROSTRATA, Rehb. f. Pseudobulbo lineari-ligulato ancipiti squamis basilaribus punctulatis, apice monophyllo, folio cuneato oblongo ligulato acuto, pedunculo bifloro, bracteis oblongo-ligulatis obtusis punctulatis, ovario pedicellato multo brevioribus, sepalis et tepalis cuneato-linearibus acutis, vulgo bis tortis, sepalis lateralibus basi connatis, cum ovario paullo angulatis, labello flabellato apicem versus trifido, laciniis lateralibus obtusangulis, lacinia antica brevi obtusa rhombea seu transverse biloboemarginata, fovea in ima basi, foveis duabus retrorsum triangulis, columna breviuscula, androclinii lacinia postice ligulata ciliata fimbriata, rostello erecto bicuspidato, fovea stigmatica rotundula sublobulata, antheræ rostro angulato, de corpore antice obtuso assurgenti, polliniis discretis, caudicula bicuspidata.

This species is very distinct in the upper part of the column from T. oicophylax, Rehb. f. It has whitish green sepals and tepals and many orange-coloured streaks on the disc of the lip, which is whitish. I have known it since 1866, when Mr. Low brought very satisfactory and well-developed specimens, stating that it was imported from New Grenada. I obtained lately a plant from Director Linden, which I saw growing at Brussels. It came also from New Grenada, and is most probably the same species. It was, however, very small, and had all the defects which the first flowers of recently-introduced plants bear, alas! so often.

Pseudobulb linear-ligulate, ancipitous. Basilar sheaths triangular, scariose, brownish, with many small black-brownish dots. Leaf cuneate, oblong-ligulate, acute, single on the pseudobulb. Flower-stalk two-flowered. Bracts oblong-ligulate, blunt, with small brownish dots, much shorter than the pedicelled ovary. Sepals and tepals linear-acute, commonly twice-twisted, the lateral ones somewhat connate at the base and very often at an angle with the ovary. Lip flabellate, trifid towards the apex; lateral laciniae obtuse-angled; middle lacinia rhomboid, obtuse-angled, one

obtuse-angled excavation before the adhesion to the lip, and on each side one triangular excavation. Column short; posterior laciniæ of androclinium ligulate and ciliato-fimbriate; rostellum straight, bicuspidate. Stigmatic hollow rounded, with lobes on its under margin. Anther with a keel forming an outspringing angle over the blunt body. Pollinia distinct. Caudicle with two angles at its cohesion with the pollinia.

Materials:—Two herbarium specimens; sketches and description from fresh specimens sent by Mr. Low; description of the living plant in the Saundersian garden.

Tab. 100.—Plant bearing only a young leaf; 1, lip +; 2, column, side view +; 3, column, anterior view +; 4, front view of anthercase and stigmatic hollow +; 5, anther +; 6, pollinarium +. The figures 4 and 5 added by Rchb. f.

I procured this pretty and elegant *Trichopilia* at the Messrs. Stevens' Sale Rooms, and it was stated that New Grenada was its native country. It requires a cool, damp, shady stove, and should be grown in spongy peat and sphagnum, with the pots drained two-thirds their depth by crocks. It flowers freely.— W. W. S.

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TAB. 101.

Tribe Vandee. Genus Amblostoma, Scheidw.

A. TRIDACTYLUM, Rehb. f. in Walp. Ann. vi. 485. Rhizomate repente, caulibus fusiformibus, vaginis scariosis albidis apice retusiusculis seu acutis, laminis evolutis ad quinque, vaginis foliorum verorum arctis, laminis lineari-ligulatis apice oblique rotundatis, nunc cum apiculo, racemo seu panicula nutante, vaginis supra folia nullis, floribus (saltem in speciminibus meis) distantibus, bracteis triangulis acutis, ovariis pedicellatis multoties brevioribus, sepalis oblongis obtuse acutis seu obtusis, tepalis cuneato-ligulatis, labelli adnati lamina trifida, lacinia media anguste triangula recta, laciniis lateralibus falcatis seu ligulatis retusis, limbo externo involuto, callo depresso trifido in basi disci, cruribus lateralibus obtusangulis, crure medio lanceo-acuminato usque versus apicem laciniæ mediæ progrediente, columna crassa conica, androclinio lobulato, anthera reniformi quadriloculari, polliniis sphæricis, per paria collateralibus in caudiculis linearibus, glandula triangula, antice plus minus emarginata.—Epidendrum tridactylum, Lindl.! B. Reg. xxiv. Misc. 81; Lindl. Folia Epidendrum, p. 90, 91, No. 290. Amblostoma cernua, Scheidw. in Otto & Dietrich, Allg. Gartz. 1838, 383; Rehb. f. Xenia, i. p. 137. Sarcadenia gracilis, Brongn.! in Hort. Paris.

Mimicry is often very curious. Here we have a plant which plays *Epidendrum* with such success that even our most acute Dr. Lindley was deceived, though, indeed, if he had conceived the idea of looking at the pollinarium, he would have seen what Ad. Brongniart and the writer of these lines stated. I suspected that the *Epidendrum micranthum*, Lindl.! was another species. It appears, however, to be a genuine *Epidendrum*. It was compared in its habit, by Dr. Lindley, with *E. tridactyhum*. There is, however, a second species from Bolivia:

Amblostoma densum. Caule crasso late vaginato, foliis oblongoligulatis obtuse acutis, inflorescentia paniculata erecta densiflora, sepalis (atropurpureis) oblongis obtuse acutis, tepalis spathulatis acutis, labello trifido, laciniis lateralibus divaricatis lineari-ligulatis obtusis, lacinia media porrecta triangula brevi, callo trifido in basi disci, lacinulis lateralibus obtusangulis, lacinula media acuminata, androclinio subintegro.

It is very curious that our plant was stated, both in England and in Belgium, to come from Mexico; yet the wild specimens we have at hand come from the Organ Mountains, where the late Gardner! found them in dense tufts on large trees (No. 626). It is striking that I never found a single specimen among the numerous Mexican Orchids I had in my hands. I am, however, far from denying the statement of the gardeners; for, if some indications have proved quite wrong, many others rejected before by botanists proved finally correct. The first plants flowered in Europe with Stephen Cannon, Esq., of Stratford Green, and Mynheer van der Maelen, in Belgium, the unfortunate gentleman who was honoured by the dedication of ugly Maelenia, a monster of Enidendrum (Cattleya) Forbesii. Later it appeared in the Jardin des Plantes at Paris, where it was well recognized as a Vandea by M. Brongniart. Then we had it in Consul Schiller's collection at Hamburgh; in the English collections of W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., the Lord Bishop of Winchester, and S. Rucker, Esq.; yet it appears that the greenish yellow flowering plant, with its orange anther and callus, never lives long in our gardens.

Rhizome creeping. Pseudobulb fusiform, with scariose whitish afterwards brownish sheath. Developed leaves generally five, distichous, linear-ligulate, obliquely rounded, with an apiculus. Raceme or panicle nodding. Flowers distant from one another in all specimens I ever saw, but represented as very dense by our artist. Bracts triangular, very much shorter than the stalked ovaries. Sepals oblong, bluntly acute or quite blunt. Tepals cuneate ligulate. Lip adnate, with a trifid blade; lateral laciniae falcate, with involved outer limb; middle lacinia narrow, triangular, straight; a depressed trifid callus at the base of the lip, with obtuse-angled lateral teeth and a long acute middle tooth going towards the apex of the middle lacinia. Column conical. Androclinium lobed. Anther reniform, quadrilocular. Pollinia globose, adhering in collateral pairs to two linear caudicles. Glandule triangular, often emarginate on its anterior sides.

Materials:—Two pages full of analytical sketches made at various times from the living flowers; six herbarium specimens.

Tab. 101.—A plant. 1, side view of flower +; 2, expanded flower +; 3, side view of flower, sepals and tepals cut, showing the adhesion of the lip; 4, dorsal view of column and lip (the side laciniæ are represented unusually obliquely retuse, so that they have the appearance of being one-toothed in the middle); 5, column, anterior view, cut from the lip +; 6, pollinarium +; 7, side view of ditto +.

A free flowering plant when treated as recommended for *Trichopilia rostrata* (Tab. 100). I am indebted to the Royal Horticultural Society for a fine and well-grown specimen of this plant.—W. W. S.



TO THE STREET



Lycaste leucantha Motzsch.

TAB. 102.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Lycaste, Lindl.

L. LEUCANTHA, Klotzch in Otto & Dietrich Allgemeine Gartenzeitung, 1850, p. 402. Radicibus adventitiis crassis filiformibus subterraneis, junioribus supra apicem pulchre pilosis, vaginis vestientibus geminis quaternisve triangulis mox scariosis, caule juniori arcte imbricantibus, pseudobulbo compresso pyriformi ancipiti, demum utrinque costis geminis usque quinis, superficie omnino lævi, minime adeo rugulosa ac in Lycastide macrophylla, Endl. Pöpp., foliis evolutis quaternis quinisve cuneato-oblongis acuminatis plicatis, costis inferne prominulis quinis, foliorum cicatricibus in pseudobulbo vetere minute apiculatis, pedunculis viridibus seu atro-purpureis solitariis seu pluribus, ex axilla vaginæ veteris pseudobulbo bene evoluto, usque spithamaeis, vaginis ochreatis acutis, bractea vaginata acuminata nervosa, ovarium vulgo longe excedente, mento acutangulo brevi, sepalis oblongis acutis extus paullo glutinosis viridibus, tepalis cuneatooblongis obtuse acutis brevioribus latioribus albis nunc flavo irroratis, labello cuneato-oblongo trilobo albo sulphureo suffuso, lobis lateralibus obtusangulo abruptis, lobo medio ligulato seu ovato seu oblongo lobulato velutino, callo depresso semioblongo in disco inter lobos laterales, columna trigono-clavata, antice pulverulento-velutina, anthera obtuse conica velutina, velo supra-stigmatico integerrimo, polliniis obtusangulis, caudicula lineari, glandula cordata.—Rehb. fil. Beitr. Centr. Am. Orch. p. 29, Tab. IV., i., ii. 1-6; Walp. Ann. vi. 603. Lycaste leucoflavescens, Hort. Angl.

The Lycaste leucantha was discovered by J. de Warscewicz in Costa Rica. It has flowered since in many continental gardens. It would appear to have been sent recently to England. We obtained it in Hamburgh Botanical Garden from Mr. Carmiol, one of whose plants is just flowering (Jan. 1869).

Adventitious roots filiform, hairy towards the point, usually subterraneous. Sheaths beneath the pseudobulbs three to four, seldom only two, triangular, soon scariose, imbricate in the young shoots. Pseudobulb compressed, pyriform, bluntly two-angled, at length with two to five blunt ribs on each side, quite smooth

on each side, never rugulose as are the pseudobulbs of Lycaste macrophylla, Endl. Pöpp. Developed upper leaves four or five. cuneate, oblong-acuminate, plaited, with five prominent ribs; cicatrices of fallen leaves with some little spiny processes. Flowerstalks greenish or purplish, single or several in the axils of old sheaths when the pseudobulb is fully developed, of various lengths, usually reaching a span length, with ochreate, acute. distant sheaths. The bract like the sheaths, but more scariose and usually longer than the stalked ovary. Chin acute-angled. short. Sepals oblong, acute, viscid outside, green. cuneate-oblong, blunt, acute, shorter, broader, white, often with a yellowish hue. Lip cuneate-oblong, trilobed; lateral lobes obtuseangled, abrupt; middle lobe ligulate or ovate or oblong lobulate; velvety, white and yellowish; a depressed ligulate or semioblong callosity in the disc between the lateral lobes. Column trigono-clavate, velvety under the stigmatic hollow; the rostellar process above it quite entire, or cut out for the caudicle, protruded. Anther-case blunt, velvety. Pollinia obtuse-angled, depressed. Caudicle linear. Glandule heart-shaped.

Materials:—Several analytical sketches made at various times; ten herbarium specimens, but not a single wild one.

Tab. 102.—Plant. 1, side view of flower, sepals and tepals cut; 2, lip; 3, column, anterior side +; 4, pollinarium, side view +.

This is an old plant in my collection, having been procured several years since from Mr. Masters, of the Exotic Nursery, Canterbury. It flowers freely grown in a cool, damp house, potted in spongy peat and sphagnum, and well drained.— W. W. S.





TAB. 103.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Maxillaria (R. Pav.), Lindl.

M. NASALIS, Rehb. f.! Beitr. Cent. Am. p. 104! Pseudobulbo late oblongo ancipiti a vaginis foliatis stipato, apice monophyllo, folio cuneato ligulato obtuse acuto ultra pedali, pedunculis solitariis, vaginis nonnullis increscentibus ancipitibus, bractea ampla scariosa subacuta, ovario a bractea tecto multipunctato, sepalis valde carnosis, ligulato-acuminatis, tepalis brevioribus ligulatis acutis, labello ligulato, medio trifido, laciniis lateralibus angulatis medianis, lacinia media producta ligulata acuta hinc undulata, callo tumido oblongo viscoso inter lacinias laterales, columna clavata.

The original discoverer of this plant appears to be the late unfortunate L. Schlim, Director Linden's half-brother, who found it near Lasita, in New Grenada: it is his 1752! Some time ago Mr. Tucker, Mr. S. Low's traveller, found it in Costa Rica, as did also Mr. Endres; finally it appeared in the Saundersian collection. It is most peculiar, and among all the herd of Maxillarias there is but the M. proboscidea, Rchb. f., from Venezuela that can be compared to it. The flower is yellowish green. I found the sepals with little brown spots in the Saundersian collection. The sepals are likewise adorned with many brown streaks and spots near the base. The lip is purplish brown, with a yellow border. The column yellow, with a purplish base. The representation made by Mr. Fitch is very faithful in all particulars as well as in the total representation.

Pseudobulb broad, oblong, ancipitous, with long sheaths bearing leafy laminæ. One long leaf on the top of the pseudobulb cuneateligulate, blunt, acute, more than a foot long. Flower-stalks solitary, much shorter than the leaf, with several imbricate sheaths and a similar broad, scariose, wider, acute bract. Ovary thick, with many brown dots. Sepals very fleshy, ligulate-acuminate. Tepals shorter, ligulate, acute. Lip ligulate, trifid in the middle; lateral laciniæ angular; middle laciniæ long, spreading, ligulate, acute, undulated on its limb. Callus thick, oblong, viscid between the lateral laciniæ. Column clavate.

Materials:—One rich specimen from Schlim; a flower given by Mr. Low; a flower out of the Saundersian garden; a very rich specimen (whole plant with two flowers) from Mr. Endres; description of the living plant and fresh flower made at Mr. Saunders's residence.

Tab. 103.—The plant. 1, side view of the flower, sepals and tepals $\operatorname{cut} + \; ; \; 2$, expanded lip $+ \; ; \; 3$, front view of column $+ \; .$

This is a plant with many long leaves, large pseudobulbs, and few flowers, produced singly. It is easy of cultivation, treated as recommended for *Trichopilia rostrata* (Tab. 100). I received the plant from the Messrs. Veitch, who procured it from Costa Rica. — W. W. S.

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TAB. 104.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Maxillaria (R. Pav.), Lindl.

M. Cepula, Rehb. f. in Seemann, Bonplandia, iii. 216. Brevissime caulescens, rhizomate valido ascendente, vaginis amplis distichis triangulis castaneis numerosis, pseudobulbos distantes efferente, pseudobulbis subteretibus nunc pyriformibus hinc sulcatis, vulgo pagina superiori ubi rhizomati appressis foveatoimpressis monophyllis seu diphyllis, foliis carnosis semiteretibus, superne foveato-impressis obtuse acutis, ima basi complicatis, pedunculis a vaginis scariosis triangulis dense distichis vaginatis, bractea ampliori ovarium pedicellatum excedente, mento obtusangulo mediocri, sepalis lanceolato-triangulis acutis, tepalis ligulatis obtuse acutis, apice reflexis subbrevioribus, labello cuneato oblongo antice trilobulo, lobis lateralibus subsemirhombeis, nunc denticulatis, lobo mediano porrecto semioblongo, hinc antice retuso seu emarginato, columna apice bene clavata, anthera mitrata, polliniis per paria incumbentibus in caudicula lata juxta glandulam transversam dilatata.—Maxillaria madida, Lindl. Bot. Reg. xxiv. 1838, Misc. 74. M. crassifolia, Herb. (not Rehb. fil.) MSS. in herb. Lindl.

I begin with an explanation why I prefer my name of later date to the older one of Dr. Lindley. His plant was described "foliis subplicatis." Now a plant with plaited leaves would have such leaves as an Anguloa, a Lycaste, or a Catasetum. Dr. Lindley compared it, indeed, to Maxillaria acicularis, but the matter became only more unintelligible in this way. When I proposed the name for the plant, I had not the least idea of its being identical with M. madida, nor could I guess it.

The plant itself is a great curiosity. The very dark pseudobulbs and leaves are blackish green, and have nothing of the liveliness of a plant. They present the appearance of being made from zinc and painted with mineral colours. The flowers are sometimes dark brownish, sometimes more yellowish, the tips of the sepals, tepals, and lip, as well as the callus of the lip, often, even generally, of a much darker colour. There occur also sometimes purplish spots on the flower. It has been frequently imported from Brazil, as it appears from Rio Janeiro. It came generally to the great disappointment of amateurs. It was also gathered by Sello, the excellent Prussian traveller (locality unknown), and by Dr. Eugen Warming near Lagoa Santa.

Very shortly caulescent. Rhizome very strong, with distichous triangular chestnut-brown sheaths. Pseudobulbs distant, nearly terete or pyriform, with some furrows when they get older, when they are incumbent on the rhizome, and leave a hollow; they are generally two-leaved, but occur also one-leaved. Leaves fleshy, semiterete, impressed or channelled on the inner side, folded together at the very base. Flower-stalks sheathed by membranous triangular sheaths, imbricate one over the other. Bract wider and larger, longer than the stalked ovary. Chin obtuse-angled, moderate-sized. Sepals lanceolate-triangular, acute. Tepals ligulate, bluntly acute, reflexed at the ends, a little shorter. Lip cuneate-oblong, three-lobed; lateral lobes nearly half-rhomboid, serrate or toothed; middle lobe porrect, semioblong, retuse or emarginate. Column clavate. Anther mitrate. Pollinia incumbent in pairs on a broad caudicula getting broader above the transverse glandule.

Materials:—Several descriptions from the living plant in the Hamburgh Garden and in the Saundersian garden; analytical sketches; specimens in spirits; ten herbarium specimens.

Tab. 104.—Plant, one leaf cut to show its thick structure. 1, flower with bract +; 2, flower, both sepals and tepals cut +; 3, lip +; 4, lip +; 5, column, anterior view +; 6, anther +; 7, pollinarium +; 8, ditto, posterior view +; 9, ditto, oblique view. Figures 4, 6, 7 and 8 by Prof. Rchb. f.

A very remarkable *Maxillaria*, with orange-brown flowers. The plant is from Brazil, and was presented to me by Lady Dorothy Nevill, to whom I am much indebted for this and various other very interesting plants. It flowers freely treated as recommended for the *Trichopilia*, No. 100.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 105.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Ornithidium, Salisb.

O. Densum, Rehb. f.; Seemann, Bonnlandia, iii. 217. Caulescens, caule rectiusculo dense vaginato, vaginis demum cinnamomeis, pseudobulbis oblongis seu ligulatis ancipitibus monophyllis, nunc valde distantibus nunc approximatis, antiquioribus semper lateralibus, folio cuneato oblongo-ligulato seu ligulato, apice obtusato emarginato, floribus in axillis vaginarum fasciculatis, pedunculis tenuissimis, vaginis quibusdam arcte acutis paleaceis, bractea paleacea cupulata apice ampliata seu arcta, ovarium pedicellatum non æquante, sepalo dorsali ligulato acuto fornicato, sepalis lateralibus oblongo-ligulatis acutis sublongioribus, labello suppositis, tepalis ligulatis acutis brevioribus, labello ungue immobili columnæ affixo trifido, laciniis triangulis parvis basilaribus erectis, lacinia ligulata acuta mediana, callo transverso semilunato inter lacinias laterales, fovea nectarifera postposita, columna clavata, juxta foveam sæpius excisa, rostello subproducto, anthera mitrata, polliniis sphæricis seu subsphæricis postice fissis per paria incumbentibus, caudicula ligulato-lineari, glandula ovali. — Maxillaria densa, Lindl. B. Reg. xxi. 1836, tab. 1804.

This species appears to be exclusively Mexican. I have at hand wild specimens from S. Pedro Nolasco, Jürgensen, 895! Mirador on oaks, Galeotti, 5121! Liebmann, 1842, 1843! Heller! Misantla in arboribus, Schiede! Zacuapan, Leibold! Ehrenberg! The glomerate copious flowers are greenish whitish, with some purple around the anther, and a white lip, with a purplish disk.

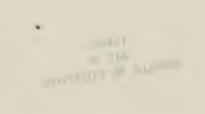
Stem erect, with many sheaths, finally turning brown. Pseudo-bulbs oblong or ligulate, ancipitous, one-leaved, now very distant from the developed length of the internodes, now approximate, the older ones always lateral. Leaves single, the only developed ones on the pseudobulbs oblong-ligulate or ligulate, blunt or emarginate at their apex. Flowers in the axils of the sheaths, fasciculate. Flower-stalks very slender, with some narrow acute paleaceous sheaths. Bract paleaceous, broadened at the apex, or narrow, not reaching the length of the stalked ovary. Dorsal sepal ligulate-acute, fornicate. Lateral sepals oblong-ligulate,

acute, somewhat longer beneath the lip. Tepals ligulate-acute, a little shorter. Lip with immobile claw ascending from the foot of the column, trifid; lateral laciniæ triangular, erect, small; middle laciniæ ligulate, acute; a transverse crescent-shaped callus between the lateral laciniæ, behind it a nectarifluous hollow. Column clavate, often excised near the stigmatic groove; rostellum lengthened. Anther mitrate. Pollinia spherical, with a slit behind on their base, incumbent in pairs. Caudicle ligulate. Glandule ovate.

Materials:—Various sketches from living flowers; the living plant in Hamburgh Botanic Garden; nineteen herbarium specimens.

Tab. 105.—Plant. 1, flower, with peduncle, side view +; 2, flower, front view +; 3, flower, side view, sepals and tepals cut; 4, lip, seen obliquely +; 5, column, front view +; 6, pollinarium, oblique side view +.

The flowers of this *Ornithidium* are produced abundantly upon healthy plants, and have a pleasing effect. It grows freely when placed on a block or potted in spongy peat, and requires a cool stove treatment. I received plants of this species from Trinidad, and I procured it also from a collection said to be from Vera Cruz.—W. W. S.





TAB, 106.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Zygosepalum, Rchb. f.

Z. ROSTRATUM, Rehb. f. in de Vriese, Kruidk, Archief, 1857, Walp. Ann. vi. 666. Rhizomate scandente, radicibus crassis undulatis lævigatis densissime intricatis onusto, vaginis distichis scariosis triangulis acuminatis vestito, vaginis summis Ornithidii more pseudobulbos nunc æquantibus, foliis pseudobulbos stipantibus vaginiferis, lamina cuneata oblongo-lanceolata acuminata papyracea, nervo medio inferne bene prominulo, pseudobulbis vetustis ligulatis ancipiti-pyriformibus depressis utrinque ancipitibus, junioribus lævibus, veteribus rugoso-sulcatis monophyllis, folio a basi cuneata ligulato oblongo-lanceolato acuminato, nervo medio prosiliente, nervis reliquis utrinque obscuris, pedunculo ex axilla vaginæ summæ stipantis, vaginis ternis, vagina summa elongata, unifloro usque trifloro, bracteis lanceolatis acuminatis ovarium pedicellatum bene excedentibus, bractea fatua breviori, alabastro a basi lata ampla abrupte rostrato apice rostri ascendente infra medium abrupto, sepalis tepalisque lanceolatis acuto-acuminatis hinc undulatis, apice nunc reflexis, labelli lamina oblonga apiculata seu transverse ovata obscurissime subtriloba acuta, callo in ima basi utringue dilatato, antice nunc denticulato, seu subintegro sellæformi, columna trigona apice utringue obtusangulo-dilatata, circa antheram fimbriato-serrulata, anthera conica in apicem longum subulatum extensa, polliniis depresso-pyriformibus per paria incumbentibus, quadrigeminis, caudicula pandurata antice emarginata, glandula emarginata supposita.—Zygopetalum rostratum, Hook. Bot. Mag. 2819.

This highly ornamental species was originally introduced from Demerara by Parker. It was also found there by Schomburgk! (No. 502!). Later it was observed in Surinam, not very far from Paramaribo, by Kegel, who sent living specimens to Mr. Van Houtte, from Focke, and a drawing, by Wullschlägel! whose dried specimens are at hand, as well as Splitgerber's! who observed it on trunks of trees (No. 748!). Mr. Wallis, who sent many living specimens to Mr. Linden, observed it near Para on

the sea-shore. I have at hand a sketch, of his figuring, with pseudo-bulbs five inches high. There is no doubt that the majority of specimens in our collections come from Mr. Linden. It would, however, appear from a memorandum in my herbarium that the Lindenian specimens were gathered on the Amazon river by Mr. Wallis. The plant is a very untractable one, as it appears, and will disappear in a few years from our collections. The perigone is usually pallid green; it is, however, brownish in Surinam, as it is represented by Focke! and described by Splitgerber! while Mr. Wallis states it to be pallid green at Para. The lip is white, with some yellow on the base of the callus and some violet or purple streaks around or on the callus. The callus, however, has been observed entirely purplish by Focke. The projecting part of the caudicle is shining brown from the glandule.

I have removed the plant from Zygopetalum, since it is intermediate between that genus and Batemania. There is a great inclination in the Zygosepalum rostratum to have such a pouch in the lateral sepals as is seen in Batemania fimbriata. The pollen apparatus and the anther are, however, very distinct both from those of Zygopetalum and of Batemania.

Rhizome scandent or twining. Aërial roots thick, undulate, intricate. Sheaths distichous, scariose, triangular-acuminate, the highest often equalling the pseudobulbs, as in Ornithidia. Leaves beneath the pseudobulbs sheathing, with a papyraceous cuneate oblong-lanceolate acuminate blade, the middle nerve prominent on the lower side. Old pseudobulbs ligulate ancipitous or pyriform depressed, the younger ones smooth and shining, the old ones wrinkled, all one-leaved. Leaf from the cuneate base ligulate or oblong-lanceolate acuminate, with a very distinct middle nerve, the other nerves not prominent. Flower-stalk out of the axil of the uppermost sheath beneath the pseudobulb, oneto three-flowered, with three sheaths. Bracts lanceolate acuminate, longer than the pedicellate ovary; flowerless bract shorter. Bud from the wide base attenuate in an ascending beak, with an abrupt part before the base. Sepals and tepals lanceolate acuto-acuminate, undulated, with reflexed tips. Lip oblong apiculate or transverse ovate, three-lobed, acute, with a saddle-like oblong callus. dilated on both sides, projecting in a toothed or serrate blade. Column trigonous, with round wings on both sides of the stigmatic hollow, and the back of the anther-bed resolved into bristles. Anther conical, extending in a long subulate strong bristle. *Pollinia* depresso-pyriform, incumbent, in pairs. *Caudicle* pandurate, emarginate. *Glandule* emarginate.

Materials:—Sketches from Mr. Wallis and Focke; from Mr. Stroobant, representing Kegel's plant; one by myself, with analytical details, from a most beautiful variety that flowered in Mr. Pascatore's collection at La Celle near St. Cloud; seventeen herbarium specimens.

Tab. 106.—Representation of a small plant. 1, lip; 2, side view of column; 3, front view of column +; 4, pollinarium +.

This is a plant well worth growing for the beautiful appearance of its large and elegantly pendant flowers. It seems to thrive best when grown in a cool stove, on a block, and kept near the light. M. Linden, of Brussels, supplied me with my stock of this plant, which had been received from Panama.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 107.

Tribe Vandele. Genus Chondrorrhyncha, Lindl.

C. FIMBRIATA, Rehb. f. MSS. Ebulbis, foliis cuneato-oblongis seu cuneato-lanceolatis acutis, pedunculis erectis unifloris vaginatis, bracteis geminis, inferiore triangula, superiore angustiore, perigonio membranaceo pellucido tenuissimo, mento obtusangulo, sepalis ligulatis acuminatis, nunc margine undulatis, tepalis oblongis apiculatis, hinc margine denticulatis seu crenulatis, labello a cuneata basi flabellato oblongo trilobo seu hastato oblongo-triangulo bilobo, toto margine undulato fimbriato, callo depresso, ambitu triangulo antice bidentato in disco, carina angustiore seu latiore inclusa in linea media, callis parvis numerosis uniseriatis antepositis, columna clavata, utrinque sub androclinio prono subperpendiculari angulata, anthera vertice obtusata ligulata acuta, valvis posticis bene servatis, polliniis ligulatis obtusis, per paria incumbentibus, posticis duplo brevioribus, caudicula quadrata, glandula triangula.—Stenia fimbriata, Linden & Rehb. f., Gardn. Chronicle, 1868, p. 1313!

Among the Maxillarias, Stenia, Lindl., was long well known, both for its very peculiar pollen apparatus and for the immobility of its lip. When I described the new species, I was in great doubt whether I had to place it under Stenia or under the very little known genus Chondrorrhyncha of our lamented Dr. Lindley (Orch. Lind. p. 12), which had been thought to stand near Trichopilia by its acute author. The very great difference in the chin and the different callosity induce me to think that it is better, in the actual state of our knowledge, to keep Chondrorrhyncha apart from Stenia.

There may be a third species, viz. the "Chondrorrhyncha? Rehb. f. in Seemann, Bonplandia, iii. 67." My friend Wagener stated that it had violet flowers. I am, however, unable to point out any difference in the dry flowers. Yet one must consider that by their extraordinary thinness they are nearly as disagreeable objects for examination as dry flowers of Utricularia. Our species has pallid green flowers, according to a memorandum of Mr. Wallis appended to a very honest sketch. In his plant the

tepals had also some small spots at their base in an oblique row. Fresh flowers I obtained from Mr. Linden, and those I saw in the beautiful Saundersian collection were very pale sulphur-coloured, with brown spots at the base of the column, and were much streaked at the base of the lip. Our artist was more fortunate, since he saw the colours much brighter.

The plant was gathered near Ocana, in New Grenada, by Mr. Wallis; before him by Mr. Schlim, who found it in company with *Chondrorrhyncha rosea*. I have also obtained specimens gathered there by Mr. Blunt, sent by Mr. Low, and by Mr. Rözl, given by Mr. Ortgies. Wagener's specimens are doubtful, as I have mentioned before. There is no doubt that the plant is very curious, nor that it will have disappeared in a very short time from all our collections. Mr. Van Branteghem, of Brussels, the skilful grower of cool Orchids, informs us it is very difficult and capricious.

Bulbless. Roots very numerous, thick, forming a sort of nest. Leaves cuneate-oblong or cuneate-lanceolate, acute. Flower-stalks upright or nearly so, one-flowered, with three distant sheaths, much shorter than the leaves. Bracts two, the lower one fertile, much broader and longer than the upper one, but much shorter than the stalked ovary. Perigone membranaceous, pellucid, very thin. Chin obtuse-angled. Sepals ligulate acuminate, now and then undulated at their margin. Tepals oblong apiculate, with finely toothed margins. Lip cuneate at the base, flabellato-oblong, three-lobed, or hastate oblong-triangular, bilobed, fimbriate and undulate on the whole of the margin. At the base of the lip stands a triangular callous wall, with two teeth on the anterior apex, a broader or narrower keel in the middle line, and numerous small calli outside of these. They have not been observed by the artist. Column clavate, bearing on both sides of the androclinium an angle (not observed by the artist). Anther-case ligulate, blunt at the top, acute at the base, with well-preserved small valves on its lower side. Pollinia ligulate obtuse, incumbent in pairs, the superior much longer. Caudicle quadrate. Glandule triangular.

Materials:—A sketch, with analysis, made from the living plant, observed several times in flower, in the gardens of W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., and Mr. Linden; nine herbarium specimens, excluding those of Wagener.

Tab. 107.—Plant. 1, expanded lip +; 2, column, oblique view +; 3, 4, pollinaria +.

This beautiful and elegantly flowering plant was sent me by Mr. Linden, of Brussels, who procured it from Peru. Placed in a cool damp shady house it grows freely, and produces its flowers very regularly, when potted in spongy peat and sphagnum and carefully drained.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 108.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Stanhopea, Frost.

S. Platyceras, Relb. f. Gardn. Chron. 1868, p. 7. Pseudobulbo conico monophyllo a vaginis increscentibus stipato, folio longe petiolato cuneato oblongo acuto, pedunculo crasso abbreviato bifloro plurivaginato, bracteis amplis latis, quam ovaria bene brevioribus, flore illi Stanhopea Haseloviana aequali, sepalis oblongo-triangulis, tepalis late linearibus acutis, labelli hypochilio late cymbiformi, canali clauso, pectore obtusato producto transverso, a basi caput usque oblique tricarinato, carina media cum interna utrinque canalem efficiente, pectoris fovea pariete superiori dense papulosa, ungue epichilii brevi, lamella parvula superne, epichilio ovato acuto utrinque angulato, cornubus late semilunatis brevibus planis, columna longa, ante basin arcuata, ceterum recta, alis mediocribus ab apice ad medium, alulis triangulis erectis, glandula postice bicruri.

"This is a very interesting novelty, though, as I well know, Stanhopeas are not in fashion in England. Its large flowers are like those of Stanhopea Haselowiana, to which the possessor very well compared it, yet it has not the same long narrow claw to the epichilium. It stands nearest Stanhopea grandiflora, Rchb. f. (Bucephalus, Lindl., Jenischiana, Kramer), but has a two-flowered inflorescence and very broad short and quite peculiar horns to the mesochilium. No doubt this species proves once more that it was not right to divide Stanhopeas according to their lax or dense inflorescences. The flower is nankeen-coloured, spotted with purplish dots and circles of small points, while on each side of the hypochilium stands one large brownish purple spot. Stanhopea platyceras was introduced from New Grenada by Messrs. H. Low & Co., and has just flowered with J. Day, Esq." These were my remarks made in the 'Gardener's Chronicle.' I have only to add that I got the same plant from Mr. Linden, who had obtained it from New Grenada, through Mr. Wallis. It differed, however, in having the sepals only simply nankeencoloured, without any dots or circles. The tepals were alike. The hypochilium was of a brown colour; the mesochilium and

epichilium pale yellowish white, with a little purplish hue on the upper borders of the horns. The plant would appear to be very rare.

Pseudobulb conical, one-leaved, covered by its sheaths. Leaf with a long petiole, cuneate-oblong acute. Flower-stalk thick, short, two-flowered, with several sheaths. Bracts ovate-triangular, shorter than the ovaries. Flower as large as that of Stanhopea Haselowiana. Sepals oblong-triangular. Tepals broadly linear acute. Lip: hypochilium broadly cymbiform, channel quite narrow, breast blunt, transverse, three keels on each side, inner side of breast with many warts; claw of epichilium short, with a small blade; epichilium ovate-acute, with an angle on each side; horns half crescent-shaped, short, very flat. Column long, arcuate at its base, straight above. Wings middle-sized from the top to the middle; small wings at the top straight. Glandule with two shanks.

Materials:—Sketches from the fresh flowers sent by J. Day, Esq., and by Mr. Linden; two dry flowers in the herbarium and one flower-stalk.

Tab. 108.—Representation of plant; one flower seen in front.

My friend Mr. W. Marshall kindly supplied me with this beautiful *Stanhopea*. Its native country I do not know. Like most of the *Stanhopeas*, it flowers freely placed in a damp shady cool stove and grown in a basket packed with sphagnum and peat. When at rest the plant should have but little water.—W. W. S.





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TAB. 109.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus SARCANTHUS, Lindl.

S. LANUS, Rehb. f., Bot. Zeit. 1866, 378! Caule abbreviato crasso oligophyllo, densifolio, vaginis brevissimis purpureo-punctatis, laminis abbreviatis oblongis inæqualiter seu æqualiter obtuse bilobis, valde carnosis, inferne per nervum medium carinatis, maculis guttisque purpureis plurimis, racemo elongato plurifloro laxifloro lavi, bracteis minutis, floribus carnosulis, sepalis oblongis obtuse acutis, tepalis lineari-ligulatis obtuse acutis, labello crasso deflexo, laciniis posticis erectis lobulatis, lacinia media triangula apiculata excavata, calcari conico, carina de fundo calcaris per lineam mediam usque in basin laciniæ mediæ ascendente, ibi retusa, medio altiore, columna gracili arrecta, rostello ornithorrhyncho, polliniis sphæricis bipartitis in caudicula lineari sessilibus. Flores sordide albidi. Labellum kermesinum, basi ac calcare albis. Folia prasina, inferne purpureo-lavata ac maculata.

This species appeared at the Royal Gardens at Kew in 1865, when I saw it in full flower. It is a discovery of the collector for the Rev. Mr. Parish, and may be gathered in the neighbourhood of Moulmein.

Stems very short. Sheaths of leaves with purplish spots. Leaves close together, few, short, keeled, very thick, oblong, equally or unequally bluntly bilobed or bidentate, keeled on the under side, and with numerous purplish spots. Raceme (according to the artist, also branched, which may be), long, many-flowered, lax, hairless. Bracts very small. Flowers somewhat fleshy. Sepals oblong blunt acute. Tepals linear-ligulate blunt acute. Lip thick, bent down or forward; lateral laciniæ erect oblong, lobed; middle lacinia triangular apiculate, hollowed out; spur conical, a keel from the base of the spur on the middle line ascending to the base of the middle lacinia, where it is retuse, highest in the middle. Column slender, arcuate, with a long beaked rostellum. Pollinia two, bipartite, with a single linear caudicle. Leaves leekgreen, clouded with dark violet-purple beneath. Flower-stalks

dark purplish. Sepals, tepals, column and spur whitish; anterior lip amethyst-colour.

Materials:—Inspection of the living plant at the Royal Kew Gardens; sketches prepared in the Kew Herbarium; description prepared there, and a few dried single (!) flowers.

Tab. 109.—Plant. The leaves are represented to a surprising extent. 1, side view of flower +; 2, front view of flower +; 3, side view of lip, slit +; 4, pollinarium +. Fig. 3 given by Professor Reichenbach.

This pretty species of Sarcanthus should be grown upon a block in the East-India house. It likes heat and moisture, with moderate ventilation. The figure was drawn from a specimen which flowered in the Royal Collection at Kew.—W. W. S.





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TAB. 110.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus Saccolabium, Bl.

S. MICRANTHUM, Lindl. Gen. & Sp. Orch. 220! ("Wall. Cat. 7300"). Planta ratione generis mollicula, caule paucipollicari usque spithameo radicante, foliis latius angustius ligulatis inequaliter obtuse bilobis, nunc obscure crenulatis cum apiculo, racemis porrectis axillaribus ima basi ananthis, ceterum densifloris parvifloris, bracteis triangulis uninerviis, ovariis pedicellatis multo brevioribus, hinc margine minute erosulis, sepalis oblongis obtuse acutis, tepalis oblongis acutis duplo minoribus, labelli laciniis lateralibus abbreviatis quadratis erectis, lacinia media ligulata antice dilatata minute denticulata trilobula seu emarginata bilobula, callo magno tumido integro seu emarginato ante ostium calcaris cylindraceo-conici obtusi, columna brevi crassa, androclinio vix marginato, rostello simpliciter acuto, anthera transverse ovata seu triangula, semper postice rotundata, antice acuta seu apiculata, polliniis subsphæricis latere externo fissis, caudicula late triangula seu ligulata, sub polliniis utrinque obtusangulo dilatata, glandula triangula seu triloba. Ovaria viridia purpureo aspersa. Sepala et tepala et calcare rosea. Labellum intense purpureum uti anthera. Columna pallide rosea.

This little plant was gathered by Dr. Wallich's collectors in Nepal and Silhet. It appears to be spread very widely over the continent of India. My specimens from herb. Falconer! (distr. at Kew, 1864). Tenasserim ex hb. Lindl.! Bootan, Griffith! Darjeeling, June and July, 1868, Mann.! (narrow-leaved variety). It appears to have appeared first in Europe in the excellent collection of Messrs. Loddiges! I have observed it very frequently in the garden of Consul Schiller and the Hamburgh Botanic Garden. There was at Consul Schiller's garden a very pallid variety with scarcely any purple on the lip. I have also obtained a spike that represented a var. fasciata at its apex, mimicking, it may be said, a Celosia, yet to a very small degree. Director Linden introduced it from Assam.

The plant is unusually soft for its genus. Stem a few inches up to a span high with beautiful aërial roots. Leaves ligulate, unequally bilobed, the lobes now and then minutely crenulate, with a small point in the sinus between the two. Racemes bent forward or hanging down, without flowers at the very base, crowded with small flowers in the other parts. Bracts triangular, one-nerved, much shorter than the stalked ovaries, now and then minutely toothed at their margin. Sepals oblong, bluntly acute. Tepals of nearly the same shape, smaller, shorter. Lateral lacinia of lip quadrate, short, upright; middle lacinia ligulate, much broader, three-lobed or emarginate bilobed at its anterior part, with many small toothlets; at its base before the mouth of the spur a great tumid, sometimes emarginate, callus. Spur cylindrical-conoid, blunt, shorter than the blade of the lip, a little compressed, entirely free from any callosities, septa, &c. Column short, stout; and roclinium with a very minute border; rostellum acute; anther transverse ovate or triangular, rounded at the base, acute on the anterior side; pollinia nearly globose, slit on the lower outside; caudicle ligulate or ligulate with two obtusangular dilatations below the pollinia; glandule blunt triangular or blunt three-lobed. Ovaries green with a purplish hue. Sepals, tepals, lip and column rosy. Lip and anther-case dark purple.

Materials:—Frequent inspection of Dr. Lindley's types; my own sketches and descriptions made at various times from the living plant; twenty-six herbarium specimens.

Tab. 110.—The plant. 1, side view of flower +; 2, front view of ditto +; 3, side view of ditto, sepals and tepals cut +.

A very pretty and interesting species of Saccolabium, with good foliage and long spikes of small pink and roseate flowers. It should be treated as recommended for Saccanthus laxus, Tab. 109. I received my plant, which grows freely, from Mons. J. Linden, of Brussels, marked as coming from Assam.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 111.

Tribe Epidendre. Genus Epidendrum, Sw.

E. Xipheres (Rehb. fil. in Van Houtte, Flore des Serres, ix. 98! Seemann, Bonplandia, ii. 89! Walp. Ann. vi. 334!) Radicibus mediocribus lævibus undulatis deflexis, pseudobulbis ovoideis seu pyriformibus, vaginis junioribus distichis ochraceis, limbo brunneo, cito in fibras solutis, monophyllis seu diphyllis, foliis linearibus optime mucronatis, telæ cartilagineæ, canaliculatis, nervo medio in dorso prominulo, usque octo pollices longis, vix tres lineas latis, pedunculo elongato lævi, parce minuteque vaginato, apice distanter racemoso, paucifloro, bracteis triangulis brevissimis, ovariis cum pedicellis hyalino-papillosis, sepalis ligulato-linearibus acutis, tepalis angustioribus basin versus valde attenuatis, labello sublibero unguiculato trifido, laciniis lateralibus ante basin exsertis linearibus acutis, lacinia media unguiculata trulliformi seu subcordiformi, margine crispula, linea mediana ex lineis ternis incrassatis minutissime punctulato-furfuraceis, in disco unguis confluentibus excavatis, venis lateralibus incrassato-elevatulis, columna gracili trigona medio constricta, androclinio minuto tridentato. Sepala brunnea ego vidi, lineis extus supra nervos cinnamomeis; tepala brunnea, labellum et columna flaveola. Artifex noster sepala brunneo-aurantiaca, tepala magis flavida pinxit.

I obtained this species in 1853 from Messrs. Booth at Hamburgh: "imported from Peru." I never saw anything more of it until 1868, when I finally found a plant and a sketch at Mr. Saunders's, Hillfield House, Reigate, the plant having been obtained from New Grenada. It is always a great satisfaction for an author to see a plant, established long since, but which has not been observed for some time, at last reappear.

Roots middle-sized, hairless, undulated, deflexed. Pseudobulbs ovoid to pyriform when young, with distichous ochraceous sheaths with brown borders, soon resolved into fibres, one or two-leaved. Leaves linear, very conspicuously mucronate, of a cartilaginous texture, canaliculate, the middle nerve prominent on the back, reaching to eight inches in length, scarcely three lines broad.

Flower-stalk longer than the leaf, very thin, with a few short distant sheaths, racemose at the summit. Bracts triangular, very short. Stalked ovaries with numerous hyaline rounded warts. Sepals ligulato-linear, acute. Tepals narrower, attenuated near the base. Lip nearly free, unguiculate, trifid; lateral lacinia spreading out above the base; middle lacinia unguiculate, trowel-shaped or nearly cordate, crisp at the margin, middle line from three thickened contiguous lines, with a scurfy mealy surface, confluent over the claw and having there a groove. Column slender, contracted in the middle. Androclinium with three teeth. I have seen the sepals brown, with cinnamon lines over the nerves; tepals brown; lip and column yellowish. The artist has represented the Saundersian plant with brownish orange sepals, and too yellow tepals.

Materials:—My old original sketch and the poor specimen; inspection of the Saundersian plant, 1868.

Tab. 111.—The plant. 1, flower, side view +; 2, lip +; 3, column and part of ovary +; 4, column, front view +; 5, 6, pollinaria +.

A neat, interesting, and very distinct *Epidendrum*, received from Santa Martha, and collected by Mr. Weir. It does well in a warm part of the Mexican house, placed upon a block or grown in a small pot. During the season of rest it should be supplied very moderately with water.—W. W. S.

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Epidendrum polyanthum Luull.

TAB. 112.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Epidendrum, Sw.

E. POLYANTHUM, Lindl. Gen. & Sp. Orch. 106! Folia, Epidendrum, No. 187! excl. var. B. Walp. Ann. vi. 379! Caule basi tumido subbulboso, ceterum teretiusculo valido exaltato distiche folioso, foliis cuneato-oblongis acutis seu cuneato-ligulatis acutis, pedunculo longe producto ancipiti vaginato, inflorescentia terminali, dein inflorescentiis racemosis lateralibus, basi bene vaginatis vulgo decurvis, nunc geminis ternisve collateralibus, bracteis minutis, ovariis scabris, sepalo dorsali cuneato-oblongo ligulato obtuse acuto, sepalis lateralibus paulo latioribus, obtusioribus, tepalis filiformibus, apice paulo dilatatis, labelli adnati laciniis posticis semiovatis extus paucidentatis seu semiovatis integerrimis, nunc retrorsum valde semicordatis, lacinia antica lineari-ligulata obtuse biloba, lobis nunc paulo divergentibus, callis obtusangulis geminis ante columnam, carinis radiantibus ternis antepositis, androclinio minute lobulato.—Epidendrum polyanthum, Lindl. in Bat. Orch. Mex. Guat. Tab. 34! (labello energetice dentato-angulato). Epidendrum bisetum, Lindl.! Bot. Reg. 1841, Misc. 148! Epid. funiferum, Morr. Ann. Gand. iv. 211, t. 198! Epid. (Spathium) colorans, Klotszch! Allg. Berl. Gartenz. 1851, 250! Sepala equidem semper vidi ochraceobrunnea, tepala alba, labellum ochraceum, callis albis, columnam viridem, antice albam.

There have been quoted by Dr. Lindley two plants under this name, which I believe decidedly different, viz. the E. densiflorum of Sir William Hooker (Bot. Mag. 3791) and E. rubrocinctum, Lindl. (Bot. Reg. 1843, Misc. 20). I shall write on both in another place. In Walp. Ann. vi. 380, I brought to the same neighbourhood the Epidendrum Lansbergii, Regel Cat. Hort. Petrop. I have, however, not seen a type, and the question stands in doubt.

The plant was discovered in Mexico by Ruiz and Pavon! (Brit. Mus.!, herb. Boiss.! Rchb. fil.!). Then it was gathered in Mexico, near Jalapa, at Hacienda de la Laguna, on shaded rocks by Schiede! Barrancas Teosolo Zacuapan; Galeotti! 5125! Same place; Leibold! Talea; Hartweg! Guatemala; Bernouilli! (lips very like the Batemanian representation). Venezuela;

gardeners have sent it sometimes as if from there; I have, however, no typical specimen certainly gathered there. Brazil; Dr. Lindley said (Folia!) that the locality given by Professor Morren, St. Catharine's, is certainly erroneous. Now, the plant occurs in the collection of drawings and descriptions made near Lagoa Santa, in Brazil, by Dr. Warming, from Copenhagen. The flowers, put in spirits, appear to be lost, but the drawing is, I cannot doubt, as faithful as possible. It must, however, have been a very poor, wretched specimen, since Dr. Warming saw it but with a 5-flowered inflorescence. I must state that I never saw any tolerable plant, comparable to the giant wild specimens, in any garden: it would appear that the plant can never be kept alive for any considerable time.

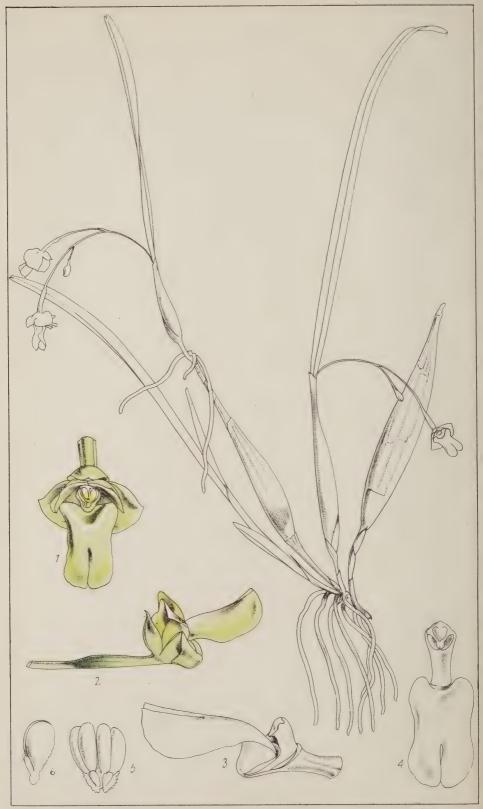
Stem bulbous, tumid at the very base, nearly terete, with sheaths and distichous cuneate oblong-acute or cuneate ligulate-acute leaves. Flower-stalk long, exserted, ancipitous, sheathed. Terminal raceme and numerous lateral racemes from the sheaths, sometimes two or three close together, often nodding, sheathed at their base. Bracts minute. Ovaries scabrous, in very different development. Dorsal sepal cuneato-oblong ligulate, bluntly acute. Lateral sepals broader, blunter. Tepals filiform, a little dilated at their apex. Lip adnate with the claw of the column; lateral lacinia semi-ovate, with some teeth on the outside, or a very projecting tooth at the anterior edge, or rounded semi-ovate, sometimes much lobed, or very much heart-shaped at the base; middle lacinia linear-ligulate, blunt, bilobed, with diverging lobes. Two obtuse-angled calli before the column, running out into long keels, and bearing a third middle keel. Androclinium minutely lobed.

Materials:—Various sketches from fresh flowers made at different times; twenty herbarium specimens.

Tab. 112.—A plant, in the narrow state in which it is seen in gardens. 1, front view of flower +; 2, side view of flower, with scabrous ovary +; 3, lip and column of another variety +, given by Professor Reichenbach.

This is an unpretending species of *Epidendrum*, with dull brownish flowers, but tall graceful foliage. I have to thank the Messrs. Veitch for this addition to my collection. The plant grows freely in a damp, cool, shady house, grown in a pot with peat and sphagnum.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 113.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Hexadesmia, Brongn.

H. Reedii, Rehb. f. MSS. in hort. Saund. 1868. Dense cospitosa, radicibus adventitiis filiformibus rugulosis, pseudobulbis stipitatis fusiformibus, vaginis albidis tectis, demum aphyllis, defloratis pluri-sulcatis, vulgo monophyllis, foliis linearibus elongatis apice symmetrice seu asymmetrice tridentatis, pedunculo capillari nutante folio bene breviori, basi vagina arcta, sursum tri-, bi-, imo quadri-floro, floribus tamen non eodem tempore evolutis, bracteis triangulis parvis, ovariis longipedicellatis, mento valido, cum ovario angulato, sepalo dorsali semiovato triangulo, sepalis lateralibus sublatioribus, tepalis bene majoribus cuneato-obovatis apiculatis, labello supra unguem utrinque angulato dilatato ima basi foveato nectarifluo (an ita semper?), dein ligulato obtuso bifido, lacinia altera in alteram incumbente, lateribus replicatis, in mediis angulis genuflexo, columna clavata, androclinio obliquo rhombeo, apiculo minuto supra antheram dorsalem flexo, apice antice rostellari producto, anthera pyriformi sex-locellari, locellis utringue geminis obliquis, anteposito locello minuto, pollinariis geneticis. Flores sordide virides, tepalis apice ac labelli parte anteriori fuscatis; flores demum sordide ochroleuci.

All my knowledge of this plant is due to W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., who imported it from Esperance, Brazil, having been discovered by his friend, E. Reed, Esq. Among the thousands and thousands of Brazilian Orchids I have had under my hands, I never saw a vestige of it.

Cæspitose. Roots very slender, rugulose. Pseudobulbs stipitate fusiform, covered with whitish sheaths, finally, when without flowers and leafy organs, sulcate, usually one-leaved. Leaves linear, long, with three symmetrical or asymmetrical terminal teeth. Flower-stalk filiform, nodding, shorter than the leaf, with two, three, or four flowers, which develope at intervals. Bracts triangular, small. Ovaries with long slender stalks. Chin strong, angular, like the ovary. Dorsal sepal semi-ovate triangular; lateral sepals a little broader. Tepals larger, cuneato-obovate, with a small apiculus. Lip ascending from its cuneate base, obtuse-angled and dilated, then ligulate, bilobed, one lobe generally covering the inner

border of the other. There is a nectariferous groove at the base of the lip—at least, in the flowers I have observed. Column clavate. Androclinium oblique, rhomboid; a small tooth at the base covering the base of the anther. Rostellar process hanging over the stigmatic hollow. Anther pyriform, with six locelli, the single ones small, anterior, the pairs oblique, posterior. Pollinarium quite genetic. The flowers are dirty green, with the apex of the tepals and disc of lip brown. Finally the flowers are whitish ochre-coloured.

There is another unpublished Saundersian *Hexadesmia*, which may be described at once:—

Hexadesmia bifida, Rchb. f. MSS. in Hort. Saund. No. 1661. Pseudo-bulbo oblongo longissime stipitato, folio oblongo ligulato acuto, racemis quadrifloris, mento acute angulato, sepalis tepalisque ligulatis acutis, labello ligulato medio dilatato, lobo retrorso utrinque quadrato, lobo antico ligulato obtuse bifido, disco lævi, columna utrinque anguste angulata. Flores viridi-flavi.

And another species, which has remained fifteen years in my herbarium, wanting to be described:—

Hexadesmia sessilis. Pseudobulbo pyriformi sessili monophyllo, folio quinquies longiori lineari apice tridentato, pedunculo capillari solitario seu geminato basi vaginato bifloro, bracteis triangulis uninerviis abbreviatis, ovariis pedicellatis longe exsertis, sepalis triangulis, tepalis ovatis, labello ligulato obtuse bilobo per lineam mediam incrassato.

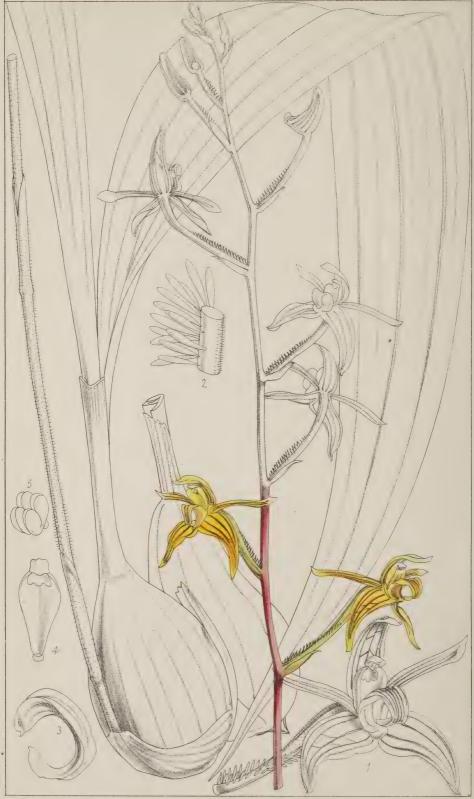
Mexico: Trapiche Sta Ana, Galeotti, 5331! The four specimens I have are all I ever saw, and from the high number and the hand-writing, there is no doubt they came from Jürgensen. It would be a true *H. crurigera* if the pseudobulbs were not sessile, and the lip not different.

Materials:—A careful study of the living types, October, 1868; my sketches and description made then; only two herbarium specimens.

Tab. 113.—The plant. 1, front view of flower +; 2, side view of the same +; 3, the same, sepals and tepals cut +; 4, front view of column and lip +; 5, 6, pollinaria +.

A species of *Hexadesmia* producing a few inconspicuous yellowgreen flowers. I received my specimens of this plant from Mr. E. Reed, and they were obtained at Esperanza and Bahia, Brazil. If put on a block with a little green moss, and placed in a damp, shady, temperate stove, it grows pretty freely.—W. W. S.





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TAB. 114.

Tribe EPIDENDREÆ. Genus ERIA, Lindl.

E. BARBATA, Rehb. fil. in Walp. Ann. vi. 270. Pseudobulbis approximatis ovoideo-pyriformibus sulcatis di-, triphyllis, foliis petiolatis oblongis acuminatis plicatis nervosis, nervis quinis infra eximiis, inflorescentia ex vagina sub bulbo, elongata superne racemosa seu paniculata, basi vaginis ligulatis apiculatis sessilibus pilosis distantibus, tota rhachi molliter pilosula, bracteis oblongis acutis herbaceis pilosis, pedicellos elongatos non æquantibus, pedicellis linea superiori lamellis ligulatis obtusis stipitatis inter pubem, ovariis pedicellos anthesi non æquantibus, mento obtuso, sepalo summo triangulo extus puberulo, sepalis lateralibus subæqualibus latioribus deorsum curvatis, tepalis linearibus acutis, labello a basi rotundato subcordato triangulo apice vulgo minute trulliformi ampliata ob angulam utrinque exsilientem, omnino levi, columna semitereti, superne ampliata.—Erioidea, Griff.! Posth. Pap. iii. cccii. gissima, Lindl.! MSS. in herb. Rchb. f. Tainia barbata, Lindl.! in Gardener's Chronicle, 1857, p. 68. New plant, No. 192. Sepala flavo-viridia, intus viridi-flava striis atropurpureis; sepala flavida striis atropurpureis. Labellum aureum, striis purpureis. Columna viridis.

The original discoverer of this plant was Dr. Griffith!, who observed it in the Khasia Hills, growing on trees of Gordonia, on the descent of the Suniassee Valley. It was also found there later by T. Lobb! The plant appeared in October, 1856, in the garden of Messrs. Loddiges, when Dr. Lindley brought home, during one of my London stays, such a miserable specimen, which he was good enough to accept for naming: a single flower from the Loddigesian collection; it came in the Schillerian collection, where it grew well and flowered in profusion. At length, in October, 1866, it appeared in the collection of Messrs. Rollissons, of Tooting. They have, however, stated that their collector had named it a Cælogyne from Java. It may have been obtained at Boitenzorg Gardens, where they could have got it from the Calcutta Gardens. Finally, I obtained it, in 1869, from Director Linden of Brussels.

Pseudobulbs approximate, ovoideo-pyriform, sulcate, with two or three long leaves. Leaves petiolate, oblong, acuminate, plaited, nerved, with three very and two less prominent chief ribs on the under side. Inflorescence axillary from a sheath beneath the pseudobulb, very long, racemose or paniculate, with a few sessile ligulate apiculate distant hairy sheaths, the dark purplish rhachis covered with short soft hairs. Bracts oblong acute, herbaceous, hairy, not equalling the stalks of the ovaries, purplish. Flower-stalks and ovaries hairy, the ovaries shorter, nearly pearshaped. A row of stalked oblong flat lamella on the flower-stalks, which show beautiful areolæ under a high magnifying power. Chin blunt. Sepals short, hairy on the outside; upper sepal triangular; lateral sepals broader and somewhat falcate, yellowish green outside, greenish yellow to yellow inside, with black purplish nerves, and now and then a few transverse reticulations. Tepals linear acute, with ascending apex, yellowish, with two or three purplish streaks and a white apex. Lip rounded, nearly heart-shaped at base, triangular, with a little angle above the point, yellow, commonly with purplish streaks, or simply yellow; no crests. Column semiterete, greenish, with purplish dots and streaks.

Materials:—Four specimens from Griffith and eight gardenspecimens, and sketches prepared at two different times; often seen in the Schillerian stoves; now in the collection of Hamburgh Botanic Garden.

Tab. 114.—Plant: the pedicels never seen so thick by me. 1, oblique view of flower: I neither understand the artist's perspective nor the surprising insertion of ovary +; 2, portion of pedicel to show the lamellæ +; 3, lip, side view +; 4, column, front view +; 5, pollinaria, seen obliquely +.

The figure of this plant was made from a specimen flowered by the Messrs. Rollissons, of Tooting. The flower-stalks are remarkable for being hispid-hairy above, and the flowers yellow, lined with crimson. -W. W. S.

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TAB. 115.

Tribe Malaxideæ. Genus Bulbophyllum, P. Th.

B. DAYANUM, Rehb. fil., Gardn. Chron. 1865, May 13, 434 c! Rhizomate repente, vaginis emaciatis onusto, hinc inde pseudobulbifero, pseudobulbis turbinatis demum rugosis distantibus, foliis valde carnosis breve petiolatis cuneatis, apice obtusiuscule acutis, racemis (ex vaginis rhizomatis?) abbreviatis paucifloris subumbellatis, bracteis abbreviatis, sepalo summo cuneato-oblongo acuto, toto margine dense piloso, sepalis lateralibus subbrevioribus, nunc introrsum curvatis, toto margine dense pilosis, tepalis angustis brevibus ligulatis obtuse acutis, toto limbo brevi ciliatis, labello bene mobili a basi rotundata trifido, laciniis lateralibus semiovatis antice rectilineis divaricatis, limbo externo sulcatis, lacinia media semiovata serrulata, carinis geminis semiovatis serrulatis in basi, cristis serrulato-papulosis novenis per discum, media quidem crista inter carinas semiovatas basin versus excurrente, columna crassiuscula semitereti apice utrinque unidentata, circa androclinium serrulata, anthera vertice umbonata.— Bolbophyllum Dayanum, Rchb. fil., Xenia Orchidacea, ii. tab. 144, p. 128.

A very great curiosity which appeared, in 1865, in the Dayan collection, dedicated to this eminent collector, who has not only formed one of the best collection of Orchids ever seen, but who has also contributed much to the progress of Orchidology. It is reported to have been sent, "probably," from Moulmein, having been introduced by Mr. Low. I feel some doubts about the statement, for none of the collectors of plants who have had their servants collecting, and partly nearly or totally destroying Orchids in that El Dorado of Orchids, appears to have ever sent this plant. Hence the question may be admitted, whether it was not a Bornean importation. But that is not the only difficulty. My representation was made from a sketch kindly sent by J. Day, Esq., and from a fresh inflorescence. Whether the colours changed in travelling I cannot say: I could only have

represented what I saw. The representation of our artist in our actual work would appear to have been taken from the same plant. And yet, what differences! The plant is much slenderer. The representation of the inflorescences is not to be understood from fig. 1; they appear umbellate-racemose, the flower standing at the side of a peduncle, and yet they are represented in a deflexed manner, as if they came out single. It has been in the Saundersian collection, whose No. 567 it was, also reported to be a product of Moulmein, likewise coming from Mr. Low. Yet in October, 1867, it had died, if I remember right. I did not see the plant. I do not rely on the difference of colour, yet the bristles of the tepals may be urged as being decidedly longer than those I have at hand in the typical specimen of my herbarium.

Rhizome creeping, branches thick, with emaciate sheaths. Pseudobulbs distant, turbinate, at length wrinkled. Leaves cuneate at the base, oblong, bluntly acute. Racemes (arising from the sheaths of rhizome?) nearly umbelliform. Bracts short. Upper sepal cuneate-oblong acute, greenish, with rows of dark brown-violet dots above the nerves (or brown streaks, according to the artist), and with long bristles round the limb; lateral sepals a little shorter, of the same colour and the same border, curved inwards. Tepals narrow, ligulate, bluntly acute (observed, or at least represented, aristate by the artist), shortly ciliate, observed dark violet by me (greenish by the artist?). Lip very moveable, trifid; basilar laciniæ triangular, straight on the anterior side, serrate on the rounded posterior side; middle principal lacinia broad oblong acute, with two semi-ovate serrulate keels at the base, and nine serrulate crests above the disk, the middle crest running between the keels (seen yellowish with violet streaks by me, yellow with purplish streaks by the artist). Column yellow, thickish, semi-terete, with one tooth at each angle and a serrulate back border. Anther with an erect blunt protuberance. All the hairs at the border are yellowish.

Materials:—Very poor. A sketch kindly sent by J. Day, Esq., and that single dried inflorescence which I obtained in 1865; my original sketches.

Tab. 115.—The plant, as represented by our artist. 1, a flower, with a part of the primary peduncle; 2, flower, with removed sepals +; 3, expanded lip +; 4, side view of lip +; 5, column and nail of lip +.

This is a neat, dwarf, and very remarkable plant, with green and yellow hispid sepals, and petals covered with long hairs. My specimens came from Moulmein. It should be cultivated in a warm stove, where it flowers freely when placed upon a block with a little green moss. When growing it should be kept shaded and well supplied with water; when at rest, moderately dry.—W. W. S.





TAB. 116.

Tribe Malaxideæ. Genus Bulbophyllum, P. Th.

- B. Lobbi, Lindl. B. Siamense, Rehb. f. Rhizomate valido, pseudobulbis pyriformibus, junioribus bene vaginatis, subdistantibus monophyllis, folio cuneato oblongo acuto, racemis infrabulbis unifloris, pedunculis brevissimis subnullis, ovariis pedicellatis elongatis, sepalo summo ligulato acuto seu acuminato, sepalis lateralibus subæqualibus falcatis, tepalis basi superiori semicordatis lanceolatis acuminatis (in icone acutis) rectis, labello bene unguiculato, basi cordato-hastato, oblongo acuto utrinque medio plica insiliente, columna apice subtriloba, anthera velutina. Sepala, tepala, labellum extus straminea.
- B. Siamense, Rchb. fil., Gardener's Chronicle, 1867, p. 592! Sepala et tepala brunneo-purpureo-lineata. Labellum intus album, ima basi flavum, lineis longitudinalibus ac punctorum seriebus purpureis. Unguis labelli inferne (extus) striolis purpureis. Columna interne flava, basi purpureo aspersa. Artifex labellum utrinque sulphureum estriatum observavit, in icone analytica tamen punctostriatum ostendit.

My first knowledge of this species is due to J. Day, Esq., who imported it from Siam. It appeared also at the Royal Kew Gardens, February, 1868, from Colonel Benson, probably from Moulmein. We flowered several specimens at the Hamburgh Botanic Garden, which induced me to regard the plant as a variety of the polymorphous B. Lobbii, Lindl.

Rhizome stout. Pseudobulbs pear-shaped, decidedly sheathed when young, at small distances one from another, single leaved. Leaf cuneate, oblong-acute. Racemes beneath the bulbs, with nearly obsolete flower-stalks, one-flowered. Stalked ovaries very long. Upper sepal ligulate acute or acuminate; lateral sepals nearly equal, but broader and more or less falcate. Tepals on the superior base half-cordate, lanceolate acuminate or acute, straight. Lip with a claw, cordato-hastate or cordate at the base, oblong acute, with a fold on each side. Column somewhat three-lobed at its apex. Sepals, tepals and labellum on the under side

nankeen to sulphur-coloured. Sepals and tepals with many purplish brown lines parallel to their length. Lip white inside, with several entire lines and lines of small dots, both purplish brown. Claw of the lip with some purplish lines underneath. Column deep yellow, with a somewhat purplish hue. The plant represented by our artist has the lip entirely yellow. The purplish dots are indicated by him in fig. 1.

Materials:—Sketch from fresh flowers, and description from it; only two flowers in the herbarium; inspection of the plant at Mr. Day's; plants at the Hamburgh Botanic Garden.

Tab. 116.—The plant. 1, column and lip before it +; 2, lip, expanded; 3, 4, pollinia +. Fig. 2 given by Prof. Reichenbach, f.

I obtained my figure of this plant from a specimen which flowered in the Royal Gardens at Kew. It grows freely with me as recommended for *Bulbophyllum Dayanum*, No. 115, and also does well in a basket with sphagnum and spongy peat.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 117.

Tribe Malaxidee. Genus Bulbophyllum, P. Th.

B. TRISTE, Rehb. fil. in Walp. Ann. vi. 253! Hamb. Gartz. 1865, p. 301! Pseudobulbis primum cepiformibus, dein seu depressis seu angulatis, hinc collo evoluto turbinatis, in rhizomate approximatis prasinis, radicibus adventitiis filiformibus tenuissimis multiflexis; foliis cuneato-oblongo-lanceolatis apiculatis molliter carnosulis solitariis seu geminis, pedunculo gracili distanter vaginato, vaginis vulgo quaternis, duabus tantum superne, acuminatis arctis, apice racemoso, racemo cernuo multifloro densifloro, bracteis lineari-acuminatis, ovaria pedicellata subæquantibus, mento modico obliquo, sepalo summo triangulo, sepalis lateralibus oblongis apiculatis seu triangulis, extus obtuse carinatis supra nervum medium, tepalis valde abbreviatis triangulo-acuminatis uninerviis, labello ab ungue inflexo cordato-oblongo seu rotundato-oblongo obtuse acuto, columna trigona, auriculis triangulis angustis erectis. Pedunculus pallidus. Sepalum dorsale atroviolaceo-purpureum; sepala lateralia mellicolora, nunc limbo atroviolaceo-purpureo. Tepala sepalo dorsali æquicoloria. Labellum flavidum, hinc brunneo irroratum. Columna alboviridis.

The discoverer of this species was Mr. Lobb, who gathered it in the Khasya Hills. I have named it from the Lindleyan herbarium, now belonging to the Herbarium of the British nation, kept at Kew. In 1864 it appeared in Consul Schiller's collection at Hamburgh, flowering in May. Then I obtained it from Messrs. Veitch, and saw it both in the Saundersian collection, and in that of the Hamburgh Botanic Garden. There is a small starved variety in the Lindleyan collection and in the Schillerian collection. The specimens in the three other named collections were much stronger.

I must apologise for writing Bulbophyllum, not Bolbophyllum. The name was originally given by Aubert-Aubert Du Petit Thouars, in his time (1822) a most eminent Orchidologist. He wrote (see Tables 90—110) Bulbophyllum. We must adhere to it. It was Sprengel who wrote Bolbophyllum (Syst. iii. 132), 1826.

If we write Bolbophyllum, rejecting Bulbophyllum, then we ought to prefer the genus Diphyes, published by Blume in 1825. reason for rejecting Bulbophyllum is, no doubt, since it is regardep as a hybrid word, derived from the Latin bulbus, the onion, and φύλλον, the leaf. This criticism must, however, for many reasons, be rejected. Bulbus is Greek, coming from βολβός. Phyllum being made Latin in its ending, there is no reason why we should not make βολβός Latin. A second objection is that everyone is allowed to make names just as he likes. If these grammatical changes were admitted, there would be no end of changes and corrections; and since there are so many who like to put their authority to names, there is a very wide area for personal vanity in constant change. Then come such authors as grumble at the names as not being appropriate. The greatest paradox is simply to change the names, without even declaring the alteration, leaving the changed name along with that of the old author. Dr. Ascherson, of Berlin, writes "Cypripedilea, Lindl., Cypripedilum, L.," as if Linnæus and Lindley had known anything about the Berlin Doctor's changes. If it were proposed to call such behaviour as making Linnæus speak of Cypripedilum forgery, what answer could be given? (See Ascherson, Flora der Provinz Brandenburg, 1864, p. 700). Thus nothing remains but to retain all described Bolbophyllums as Bulbophyllums, which I do now.

Pseudobulbs nearly approximate, leek-green, sphæroid to pearshaped, but very short, at length often angular. Adventitious roots very slender, filiform, much bent. Leaves cuneate oblong-lanceolate, apiculate, of a rather fleshy texture, solitary or in pairs. Flower-stalk very slender, with distant acuminate sheaths. Raceme small-flowered, nodding, very compact. Bracts linear acuminate, one-nerved, as long or longer than the stalked ovaries. oblique, small. Upper sepal triangular; lateral sepals oblong apiculate or triangular, with a blunt keel outside above the middle nerve. Tepals very short, triangulo-acuminate, one-nerved. Lip from inflexed claw cordate-oblong or rounded-oblong, bluntly acute. Column trigonous, with two narrow erect ears. Flowerstalk greenish. Dorsal sepal purplish blackish violet; lateral sepals honey-coloured, sometimes with blackish violet borders. same colour as dorsal sepal. Lip yellowish, sometimes with a brownish hue. Column whitish green, or with small purplish dots beneath the stigma.

Materials:—Dr. Lindley's specimen; my four herbarium specimens; my sketches and descriptions made from living plants both at Hamburgh and in Mr. Saunders's garden.

Tab. 117.—A plant. 1, flower, side view +; 2, flower, front view +; 3, flower, side view, sepals cut +; 4, lip +; 5, oblique view of column +; 6, bract +.

We grow this interesting Orchid in the shady part of the East-India house, where it flowers freely when placed upon a block with a little green moss. I am indebted to the Messrs. Veitch for my specimen of the plant.—W. W. S.





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TAB. 118.

Tribe Malaxideæ. Genus Pleurothallis, R. Br.

P. FLORIPECTEN, Rehb. fil. in Bonplandia, 1854, p. 25, 15 Jan.! Densissime cæspitosa, radicibus intricatissimis nudis, caule secundario gracili bipollicari, nunc longiore, vaginis 4-5 arcte appressis nervosis, ostio dilatato ovato mucronato dense fimbriato, vagina summa laxa ampla folii basin tegente, folio oblongo basi cuneato apice attenuato minute bidentato subcarnoso, pedunculis subcapillaribus fasciculatis quatuor ad quinque hysterochronicis, dimidio longiori inferiori vaginulis arctis brevibus retusiusculis membranaceis tribus seu quatuor hinc inde vaginatis, parte superiori densissime florigera, bracteis arctis vaginæformibus, ostio ovato acuto, minutissimis, floribus distichis transversis alternantibus, flavidulis hyalino purpureo aspersis, sepalo summo ovali abbreviato, inferiori elongato ligulato apice suo subdivaricate bilobo, nervo utroque dorso carinato, tepalis ovatis acutiusculis minutis semiuninerviis, labello brevissime unguiculato ovali basi cordato trinervi, columnæ rostello lato trilobo, lobis lateralibus obtusangulis, lobo medio dentiformi, anthera dorsali.—Pleurothallis floripecten, Rchb. fil.! Lindley, Folia Orchidacea, Part ix. Pleurothallis, No. 27.

The original discoverer of this neat, elegant plant, well called by Dr. Lindley "a very remarkable plant," is my friend Herrmann Wagener, Esq., then of Caracas, now of Hamburgh, who collected it in Venezuela, near Jaji. I never saw anywhere any vestige of this delicate thing, except in September, 1867, when W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., sent me a good sketch and an inflorescence from his garden. Then I obtained, at Reigate, the living plant.

This is all my acquaintance with the plant. It has, however, had to lend its name for other purposes.

Professor Grisebach has done his best to name the Orchids of the West Indies. In his 'Catalogus Plantarum Cubensium,' there appears, at p. 260, a *Pleurothallis floripicta*, Lindl. Orch. Wn. syn. P. melanantha, G. Rehb. l. c. (Wn. 1509, 3342). I am sorry to be compelled to make the following remarks. A *Pleurothallis floripicta*, Lindl., has never been published, least of all in the 'List of the Orchidaceous Plants collected on the Coast of Cuba,

by Mr. C. Wright' (Annals and Mag. of Natural History for May, 1858). If M. Grisebach had possessed, when writing on Pleurothallis, or had seen (as he did when writing his Flora) the monographs of Lindley, he would have found the Pleurothallis floripecten, Rchb. f. From a memorandum at hand, indeed, the late Doctor, in his last illness, confounded the Cuban plant with my species. But the Cuban plant, of which I have numerous specimens at hand, is immediately distinguished by its very short blackish purplish sepals and simply erect flowers never being transverse, and the two cannot be confounded. Now, since M. Grisebach had no quotation for any publication of Lindley for the "Pleurothallis floripicta, Lindl.," I would like to know what principles entitled him to call my published species (see Flora, 1865, p. 273) a synonym. I must add that to the memorandum just quoted I have added "Lepanthes floripecten, Rehb. fil." (Lindl. in Herb. Hook. nec Pleurothallis floripecten, Rchb. fil.) It was Lindley who, perhaps by a failure of memory, had believed in a Lepanthes floripecten, Rchb. fil., but never published by me.

Closely compitose. Aërial roots naked, very intricate. Secondary stems slender, two inches high or more, with four or five very narrow nervous sheaths, bearing an ovate mucronate fimbriate expanded opening. Uppermost sheath wide, lax, covering the base of the leaf. Leaf oblong, cuneate at base, attenuate at the minutely two-toothed end, rather fleshy. Flower-stalks somewhat hairy, four or five, not flowering above; lower half longer, with three to four narrow short retuse membranous sheaths; superior half densely floriferous. Bracts narrow, sheath-like, with ovateacute opening, very small. Flowers distichous, transverse, biseriate, yellowish, with a purplish hue. All the sepals yellowish, with lilac veins; upper sepal ovoid short; inferior one longer, ligulate, bilobed at its apex, two-nerved, both nerves keeled on the outside. Tepals ovate, somewhat acute, small, with single nerves, ending before the apex yellowish with a lilac border. Lip shortly unguiculate ovate cordate, tri-nerved, yellowish, with a lilac border, not longer than the tepals. Column very short, with a three-lobed rostellum; side lobes obtuse-angled; middle lobe tooth-like. Anther dorsal. Pollinia two, cohering with a little mass of glue.

Materials:—Two specimens were originally in my herbarium; one was presented to Dr. Lindley, making now part of the Kew

Herbarium. A fresh spike sent by W. Wilson Saunders, Esq. Inspection and description of the living plant in October, 1867.

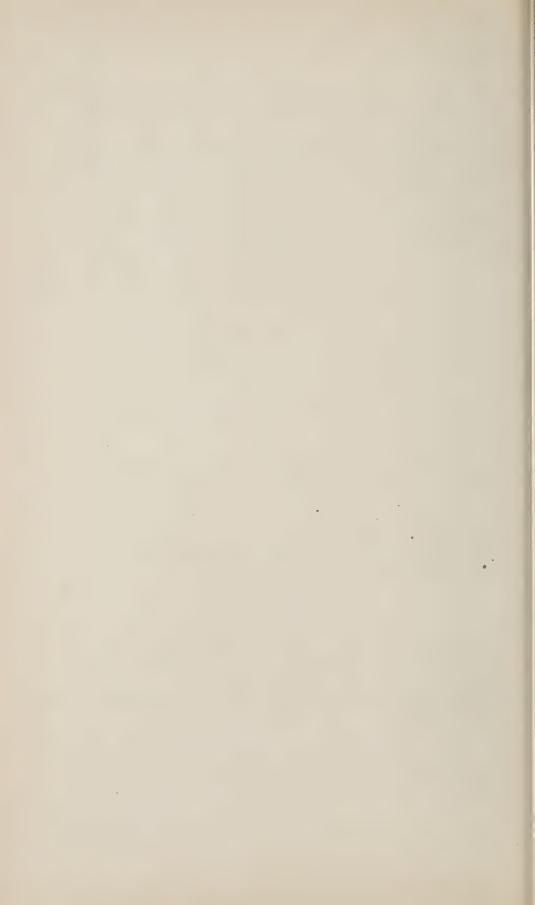
Notes.—I may add a few remarks. The artist has represented the inflorescence as scarcely longer than the leaves. My original specimens both showed the inflorescence exceeding the leaf by the whole of the floriferous part. The sketch kindly sent by W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., shows just the same length and proportion to the leaf. It is highly curious that there is a second plant much like this species and having entirely its appearance; the whole difference is that the sheaths are closely covered with spiny bristles, that the inferior sepal has two straight teeth, the tepals are nerveless, and the lateral laciniæ of the rostellum are rhomboid. Let me add that the flowers are deeply purplish, the leaf shorter, smaller and blunt. It may be introduced thus:—

Pleurothallis anthoctenium, n. sp., simillima *P. floripectini*, vaginis laxioribus echinatis, ostiis amplis valde echinatis, folio cuneato oblongo obtuso brevi, inflorescentiis plus duplo longioribus, floribus omnibus in parte superiori transversis, sepalo superiori oblongo triangulo trinervi, sepalo inferiori ligulato apice recte bidentato binervi, tepalis minutis ovatis enerviis, labello cordiformi obtuso trinervi, columnæ brachiis lateralibus oblique rhombeis.

It probably comes from San Domingo. I found it in the herbarium of the Richards (now of M. Prillieux) with the note "S-D." Is it from L. C. Richard, or from Poiteau?

Tab. 118.—The plant. 1, a part of inflorescence +; 2, front view of flower +; 3, side view of the same +; 4, tepal +; 5, lip +; 6, lip +; 7, column, dorsal view +; 8, column, anterior view +; 9, pollinarium, front view +; 10, the same, side view. The figures 4, 5, 7, 8 from Professor Reichenbach f.

We grow this charming little plant in the warmer part of the temperate house, where it produces its delicate flower spikes freely, placed on a mossy block of wood. I obtained my specimens of this plant from M. Linden, of Brussels. The way in which the flowers are arranged in a dense spike, so regularly placed as to look like a miniature comb, is very pleasing.— W. W. S.



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TAB. 119.

Tribe Malaxideæ. Genus Pleurothallis, R. Br.

P. Pardipes, Rehb. f., MSS. Caulibus secundariis dense aggregatis, basi vagina arcta elongata dense maculata vaginatis, ab apice ad medium canaliculatis, folio oblongo basi rotundato, apice attenuato bidentato cum denticulo interposito, bene marginato, spatha inflorescentiarum hysterochronicarum minuta carinata acuta, racemis folium non æquantibus solitariis seu geminis bifariis, bracteis ochreato-vaginatis apiculatis retusis ovaria pedicellata non æquantibus, ovario perigonioque extus parce velutinis, perigonio carnosulo, sepalo dorsali ligulato acuto, sepalo inferiori oblongo apice bidentato, limbo ciliatulo, infra nervos medios extus vix conspicue carinato, tepalis columnam æquantibus ligulatis obtusissime acutis superne serrulatis uninerviis, labello ima basi utrinque sagittato-undulato utrinque obtusangulo oblongo-obtuso ciliolato, superne minute papuloso trinervi, carinis obtusangulis geminis in basi, columna gracili arcuata superne ampliata, androclinio serrulato hinc tridentato. Pedunculus viridis, maculis multis parvulis purpureo-violaceis. Folium ejusdem coloris. Sepala olivacea seu tandem brunnea atropurpurea. Tepala albida seu flavida. Labellum atropurpureum, linea baseos flava media. Columna flava.

The late Mr. Bowmann discovered this plant near Rio Janeiro, in Brazil. I observed it living in the Saundersian garden in 1868, and have now a fresh specimen at hand from the same place in 1871. I cannot find anything like it in the collection of Dr. Lindley or in my own. As a species it approximates, no doubt, very near the well-known *Pleurothallis bicarinata*, Lindl., which had also similar spotted sheaths. It is, however, very easily distinguished by its inflorescence coming out above the base (not at the base) of the much broader and heart-shaped leaf, by its petals being entire three-nerved, and by its very different lip.

Root-stock tufted, the joints thickened and articulated at their apex. Secondary stems often arcuate at their base, straight, erect, upwards of a span high, terete, a little compressed beneath the leaf and channelled in the middle. Superior sheath long, ochrecoloured, with many small brownish dots (whence the name of

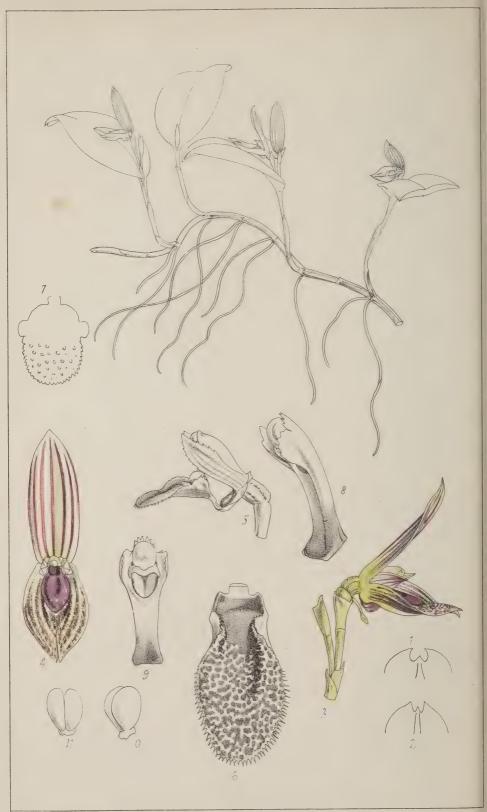
"spotted foot" is given). Leaf oblong, bidentate at its apex and a little cucullate, rounded at its base, with many dark violet dots on both sides. At the very base of the leaf, in its sinus, stands a small ancipitous acute sheath, bearing one after the other a few inflorescences, not quite equalling the length of the leaf, having distichous flowers near to the base. Bracts retuse, apiculate, shorter than the stalked ovaries. Perigone and ovary velvety outside. Dorsal sepal ligulate, bluntly acute, olive to yellowish brown, with some longitudinal purplish streaks; inferior sepal much broader, bidentate at its point, of the same colour, slightly ciliated. Tepals much shorter, equalling the column, ligulate, generally one-nerved, with toothlets at their blunt apex, and a very strong single nerve from the base to near the apex, yellowish. Liv rhomboid retuse to oblong, ciliated, with many small warts and two small semi-oblong lamellæ before its base, obscurely sagittate at its very base, purplish, with a yellowish middle line at its very base. Column trigono-clavate, dilated in the upper part, with a toothed border around the androclinium, yellowish.

Materials:—A description and sketches prepared at Reigate, October, 1869, and at Hamburgh, October, 1871; two herbarium specimens.

Tab. 119.—A plant. 1, flower, side view +; 2, flower, front view +; 3, column, tepals, lip, side view +; 4, column, seen in oblique view +; 5, lip, expanded +; 6, pollinia, side view +.

This plant should be treated as recommended for *Pleurothallis floripecten*, Tab. 118. My specimens were sent to me by the late Mr. D. Bowman, and obtained near Rio Janeiro. A stronggrowing species, not showy, but botanically interesting.— W. W. S.

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TAB. 120.

Tribe Malaxideæ. Genus Pleurothallis, R. Br.

P. Saundersiana, Rchb. f. in Gardn. Chron. 1866, 74! Rhizomate longissime serpente seu scandente, vaginis striato-nervosis, polyrrhizo, radicibus filiformibus multiflexis nunc porrectis, caulibus secundariis abbreviatis semiteretibus canaliculatis parce vaginatis, vaginis nervosis scariosis, folio carnoso oblongolanceolato acuto, apice energetice tridentato, dentibus lateralibus energetice uncinatis introrsis seu rectis, dente medio setaceo acuminato, superne viridulis, infra linea media et limbis sordide violaceo-purpureis, marginatis et striatis, ceterum maculis atropurpureis multipunctatis, floribus solitariis seu geminis non simul evolutis, sepalo summo oblongo acuto albido, striis septenis brunneis, inferiori cochleato acuto apice minute bidentato æqualiter striato, tepalis rhombeis ligulatis apicem versus serratis, trinerviis, labello ab ungue utrinque humerato oblongo, utrinque ante basin obtusangulo, ceterum denticulato, tota superficie anteriori acute papulosa, columna gracili, androclinio utrinque angulato, postice serrulato. Typo simillima Pleurothallidi papillosa, Lindl.! cujus icon fugacissima tantum adest in herbario Lindleyano, dum a me scrupulosissime depicta juxta specimina Monacensia typica. Hujus folia angustiora, caules lamina longiores, sepala lateralia semibifida, tepala ligulata eroso-crenulata, labellum carinis geminis altissimis, androclinii limbus totus serrulatus.

This lovely little thing was dedicated to the promoter of our present work in these terms:—"Thus we have regarded it our duty to act as an interpreter both of the thankful and confidential feelings of *Pleurothalloids*, and of our own, by making W. W. Saunders, Esq., the godfather of a lovely young anonymous *Pleurothallis*, coming, we believe (papers not seen) out of Mr. Low's Nursery, into which it was introduced from Brazil." Alas! the "papers not seen" would appear to have been written in a prophetical spirit. When (in October, 1857) at Reigate, I was informed that the indication Brazilian was not correct, but that the grand book of Saundersian Orchids (kept with perfect accuracy) indicated a Lindenian origin, and W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., suggested that the plant might come from Popayan.

Rhizome filiform, creeping widely, with nervous plaited sheaths. Aërial roots numerous, filiform, flexuose or straight. Secondary stems short, semi-terete, channelled, with few nervous sheaths. Leaf fleshy, oblong-lanceolate acute, with three teeth, the central one like a short acute bristle, the lateral ones straight triangular or uncinate; colour green on the outside, with dark purplish middle nerve and limb, and many purplish blotches on the under side. Flowers one or two, not developed at once, whitish with purplish nerves. Tepals equal. Lip whitish, with numerous purplish dots, so close to one another that it appears nearly purplish brown; I have also seen it entirely purplish brown. Upper sepal oblong-acute, with seven purplish streaks; inferior sepal oblongligulate, cochleate-acute, bidentate, the purplish ribbons confluent. Tepals rhombeo-ligulate, serrate at their apex, three-nerved. Lip with a short claw, then rounded and oblong obtuse, with one short blunt auricle on each side, finely toothed round the limb, with many acute warts. Column slender, widened at its apex, with a sharp tooth on each side and a finely toothed limb round the anther.

Materials:—Specimen sent by W. Wilson Saunders, Esq.; a most correct sketch of his own, showing a single flowering stem at once; and my own sketches and descriptions from the living plant.

Tab. 120.—A plant: I never saw, neither can I understand its having three flowering stems at once, and one of them also two-flowered at once. 1, 2, apex of leaves +; 3, side view of flower +; 4, expanded flower, front view +; 5, side view of flower, sepals cut +; 6, lip +; 7, lip, artificially expanded +; 8, column, oblique side view +; 9, column, front view +; 10, pollinia, side view +; 11, same, front view +.

This is a little trailing Orchid, which I received from M. Linden, of Brussels. Treated as the two species of *Pleurothallis*, Nos. 118 and 119, it grows freely, and produces its pretty flowers, which have the lip beautifully mottled with crimson.—W. W. S.

ORDER OF STREET



Spiranthes Esmeralda, Lindl, Rehb. Fil.

TAB. 121.

Tribe Neottieæ. Genus Spiranthes, L. C. Richard.

S. Esmeralda, Linden & Rehb. fil., Hamb. Gartz. 1862, p. 36! Radicibus fasciculatis, foliis rosulatis cuneato oblongis acutis, maculis argyreis multis pictis, pedunculo elato, squamis densiusculis apice acuminato setaceis elongatis imbricantibus, spica elongata pulchre spirali, rhachi minute glandipili, bracteis lanceolato-setaceis flores excedentibus seu subæquantibus glandipilibus, ovario glandipili, perigonio oblique inserto extus glandipili, gutture angulato humili, sepalo summo ligulato acuto, sepalis lateralibus æqualibus, tepalis subæqualibus minoribus, labello oblongo pandurato acuto seu ovali-acuto, callis conicis retrorsis, rostello retuso utrinque extus acuto, medio in processum lineari-lanceum extenso.—Spiranthes margaritifera, Linden & Rehb. fil. in Gardener's Chronicle, 1866, 219! Habenaria margaritacea, Linden, Catalog. Flores albo-viriduli, demum flavidi.

This plant appeared in 1862 in Director Linden's garden, coming from S. Paul, in Brazil. The specimens I obtained in 1866 were widely different. The lip had been simply ovate-acute, now it was pandurato-oblong; it had had a horse-shoe like green picture on its apex, now it was simply one-coloured; the whole appearance was widely different; and yet, having seen more specimens, both in Mr. W. Wilson Saunders' stoves and in the Hamburgh Botanic Gardens, I have satisfied myself that they are identical, and that we were deceived by a badly developed first specimen. Later, Director Linden named it proprio Marte a "Habenaria"—not a very lucky combination; finally, Dr. E. Warming, now at Copenhagen, brought seven good herbarium specimens, a Danish description and a sketch, and an inflorescence in alcohol from Lagoa Santa, in Brazil.

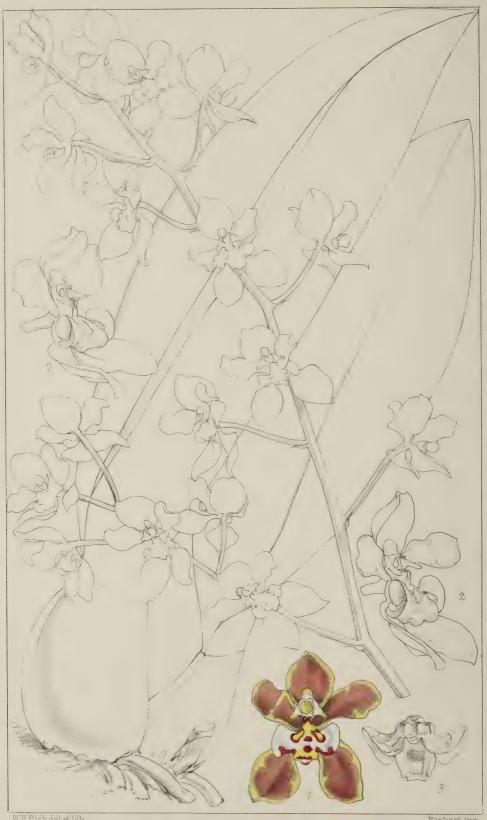
Roots fasciculate. Leaves rosulate-cuneate oblong acute, dark green, with many oblong rounded often lobed white shining blotches. Flower-stalk often more than two spans high, with many close acuminate bristly sheaths. Spike elongate, many-flowered, elegantly spiral, with the rhachis covered with glandular hairs; bracts equally hairy, one-nerved, lanceolate-setaceous,

longer than the flowers, or nearly equal to them towards the apex of the inflorescence. Ovary cylindrico-trigonous, with similar hairs. Outer perigone oblique, with glandular hairs outside the sepals; throat angular, small. Upper sepal ligulate-acute; lateral sepals nearly equal. Tepals lanceolate-acute, with unequal sides. Lip oblong, pandurate-acute, or ovate-acute, with two conical retrorse calli at the very base. Rostellum retuse, acute at both angles, with a linear middle process. Flowers greenish white, finally yellowish.

Materials:—Sketches made at various times; descriptions from living plants or fresh specimens; four herbarium specimens; and the use of Dr. Warming's rich materials, described before.

Tab. 121.—The plant. 1, flower and bract +; 2, front view of flower +; 3, side view of flower, sepals cut +; 4, lip, front view +; 5, the same, side view +; 6, column, with anther, front view +; 7, column, side view +.

This pretty species of *Spiranthes* has its white flowers most regularly arranged, spirally, on a tall upright stem. It may be treated as recommended for *Pelexia triloba*, Tab. 97. I received my stock of this plant from M. J. Linden, of Brussels.—W. W. S.



TAB, 122.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus Oncidium, Sw.

O. MICROCHILUM, Bat. in Lindl. Bot. Reg. xxvi. 1840, Misc. 193! xxix. 1843, Tab. 23! Lindl. Fol. Orch., Oncidium, No. 21. Walp. Ann. vi. 711! Radicibus validissimis deorsum versis albidis nudis, pseudobulbis approximatis ligulato-pyriformibus obtusangulo-tetragonis brevibus nitidis, primum vaginis paucis triangulis non laminigeris fultis, demum basi subnudis valde incrassatis monophyllis vulgo rufo-brunneis, folio crassissimo cuneato-oblongo acuto, limbo subcartilagineo minute crispulodenticulato, vulgo rufo-brunneo sub-pruinato, inflorescentia multo longiori, rhachi subcæsia, basi distanter minute vaginata superne paniculata, ramis distantibus brevibus paucifloris, apice racemosa, bracteis squamiformibus ovaria pedicellata longe non æquantibus, sepalo dorsali cuneato-oblongo obtuse acuto, sepalis lateralibus abrupte unguiculatis oblongis obtuse subacutis, tepalis cuneato-oblongis apiculatis hinc undulatis, labelli ungue lato ima basi minutissime utrinque semicordato, lamina transversa obtusangula quadriloba undulata apiculo minuto terminali interposito in sinu antico, dimidio replicata, callo tumido abrupto a regione ante unguem in basin apiculi minuti, utrinque bilobo, carina obtusa in medio, columna trigona, rostellari processu triangulo-lineari, alis triangulis margine hinc crenulatis paulo deorsum versis. Sepala et tepala cinnamomea, limbo hinc imo insiliente viridulo, demum flava. Labellum album maculis quibusdam flavis atropurpureo cinctis. Columna alba; apices alarum virides. Limbus tabulæ infrastigmaticæ atropurpureus.

This species must have been introduced at various times; it would appear never to have been common, and yet it may be said never to have been quite wanting. All the plants are said to come from Guatemala. The first flowered at Biddulph Grange, with J. Bateman, Esq., sent by the late Mr. Ure Skinner. I do not remember to have seen wild specimens, neither do I possess any.

Roots very stout, descending, whitish, never hairy. Pseudo-bulbs close together, ligulato-pyriform, obtuse-angled tetragonous,

short, shining, the first with triangular not laminigerous sheaths, then nearly sheathless at their base, very much thickened, oneleaved, generally brownish red. Leaf very thick cuneate oblong acute, with a cartilaginous very minutely crisp denticulate border of the same colour as the pseudobulb. Inflorescence usually much longer. The basilar rachis has a few very distant small short triangular sheaths. Flowers in a racemose panicle; the upper part simply racemose, the inferior in strong specimens with distant, short, few-flowered branchlets. triangular, very small, and shorter than the very long-stalked ovaries. Upper sepal cuneate-oblong, bluntly acute, often arched; lateral sepals abruptly unguiculate, oblong, blunt or slightly acute. Tepals cuneate-oblong, apiculate, sometimes a little undulate. Lip with short broad claw, minutely half-cordate at each side; blade transverse obtuse-angled, four-lobed, undulated, with a minute apiculus in the sinus between the anterior lobes, revolute. Callus fleshy, abrupt on both sides, with a roundish lateral lobe and with a blunt keel in the middle between the two anterior blunt lobes. Column trigonous; rostellar process linear, pendulous. Wings triangular, bent down. Infrastigmatic table with sharp edges on both sides. Sepals and tepals cinnamon-coloured, with greenish or vellowish borders. Lip white, with several vellow blotches, mostly bordered with purplish brown.

Materials:—Sketches of the parts of the flower and four herbarium specimens, all from gardens; description of the living plant made in the Saundersian, and compared in the Hamburgh Botanic Garden.

Tab. 122.—The plant. 1, flower, front view +; 2, the same, oblique side view +; 3, lip, underneath +.

I have had this species of *Oncidium* long under cultivation, and I have lost all trace of the source from whence I originally procured it. In the temperate house it grows and flowers freely either in a basket or under pot cultivation, and, like most of the thick-leaved *Oncidiums*, it requires but a moderate supply of water.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 123.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus Oncidium, Sw.

O. PLANILABRE, Lindl., Journ. Hort. Soc. vi. 59, ic. xyl.! Folia Oncidium, p. 43, No. 141! Walp, Ann. vi. 787! Folio stipante inferiori vagina triangula, altero articulato laminigero, lamina cuneato-ligulata acuta, pseudobulbo oblongo apice angustato, demum bene rotundato ancipiti, primum omnino lævi, demum subcostato prasino, statu hebetato monophyllo, statu vegeto diphyllo, foliis cuneato-ligulatis acutis, usque pedalibus et usque tres pollices lati, inflorescentia elongata, apice simpliciter racemosa, infra brachyclado ramulosa, ramulis floribusve bracteis vaginis bracteisve spathaceis multinerviis scariosis stipatis, ramulis vix ultra bifloris, bracteis spathas subæguantibus, sepalis unguiculatis oblongis acutis, tepalis bene brevioribus, supra basin angulatis, labello pandurato, angulis posticis retusiusculis, isthmo constricto, parte antica reniformi emarginata, callo subrhombeo bicruri in basi explanato, antice medio in acumen exeunte, papula utrinque apposita juxta acumen, columna brevi crassa alis adnatis, rostello tridentato, dente forti ante foveam, anthera ornithorrhyncha. Flores pallide sulphurei, disco sepalorum et tepalorum brunneo. Labellum flavum, parte superiori utrinque brunneo prætexta et per isthmum brunnea. Callus albus rubido-pictus.

Dr. Lindley informed us the species was "wild in Brazil; locality unknown." For a long time it did not appear again: at length Director Linden obtained it from Guayaquil, in the warm region, collected, no doubt, by Mr. Wallis. I have also obtained it from Messrs. Veitch, who may have got it from Mr. Pearce, from Puna Island. There are two species very near it: one, Oncidium hirundo, Rchb. fil., in v. Mohl. s. v. Schlechlendal Botanische Zeitung, 1857, p. 156, has much longer lateral sepals. I obtained it from Prince Camille Rohan from Sichrow, in Bohemia. Probably the same was introduced from Peru by Director Linden; yet I did not see well-preserved flowers, fully fit for examination. Much like it, but with an exceedingly rich inflorescence and very blunt sepals and tepals, with deep chesnut-brown disk, is O. pardothyrsus, Rchb. f., l. c. p. 158. It flowered

first at Farnham Castle, in 1856, at the Lord Bishop of Winchester's; immediately afterwards in the Berlin Gardens, all the plants having been sent by v. Warpewicz. Then Mr. Linden obtained it from Mr. Wallis, most probably from Ecuador. It is a very recommendable plant: the one in the Hamburgh Botanic Garden remained in flower for a long while.

Two very remarkable leafy organs stand beneath the pseudobulb; the inferior one a triangular keeled sheath; the superior one a sheath with an articulated cuneato-ligulate acute leaf. Pseudobulb oblong, narrow before, finally rounded, ancipitous, finally ribbed, leek-green; when very weak one-leaved, when strong twoleaved. Leaves cuneato-ligulate acute, attaining one foot in length and to three inches broad. Inflorescence long, racemose at its top, shortly panicled at its base with small one- or two-flowered branchlets, all the flowers and branchlets coming from conspicuous marginal-nerved triangular lanceolate sheaths. Bracts Sepals unguiculate, oblong-acute. Tepals shorter, angular above their base. Lip pandurate, basilar angles retuse; narrow part much constricted; anterior part reniform emarginate; callus rhomboid, with two retrorse shanks, flat at the base, in the middle of the anterior with an acute process, on each side of which stands a conical small callosity. Column short, thick, with adnate wings; rostellum tridentate; a strong tooth before the stigmatic hollow; anther like the beak of a bird.

Materials:—Description of the living plant in the Saundersian garden; inspection of Dr. Lindley's type; sketches and descriptions of fresh specimens; three herbarium specimens.

Tab. 123.—The plant. 1, flower, expanded +; 2, the same, side view; 3, column, front view +.

Placed in a damp shady temperate stove, this dingy coloured Oncidium grows freely and flowers abundantly. When at rest it must be but moderately supplied with water. My plants came from M. J. Linden, of Brussels, and were labelled from Guayaquil.—W. W. S.





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TAB. 124.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus Oncidium, Sw.

O. ORNITHOCEPHALUM, Lindl. Folia Oncidium, No. 101, pp. 30, 31. Walv. Ann. vi. 749! Rhizomate repente seu scandente, pseudobulbis seriatis approximatis ovoideo-compressis obtusangulis bene viridibus, nunc pruinosis, monophyllis seu diphyllis, nunc a vaginis triangulis stipatis nunc a foliis cuneato-lanceolatis acutis articulatis, foliis bulborum cuneato-lanceolatis acutis, usque fere spithamaeis, et unum et dimidium pollicem latis, inflorescentia tenera pluripedali gracili, basi anantha distanter vaginata, ramulis plurimis abbreviatissimis, rarius ramulosis, plurimis flores abortivos stellatos gerentibus, paucis evolutis, sepalis unguiculatis oblongis acutis, tepalis bene latioribus, labello late cuneato-oblongo seu transverso ovatoacuto, seu subquadrato retuso cum apiculo, basi tamen utringue obtusangulo dilatato, seu triangulo ima basi ante columnam velutina, callo anteposito ex carinis quinis obtuse lobulatis, insula velutina parva utringue extrorsa antepositis carinulis triangulis subparallelis extrorsis, columna trigona, alis angustis apice ligulatis, infra obtusangulis, tabula infrastigmatica utrinque medio extrorsum angulata, supra angulo papilloso pilosa, anthera pandurata apiculata, caudicula triangula, basi tridentata. Flores pallide flavi, sepalis fascia cinnamomea transversa pictis, fascia lata transversa, una per labellum, angustiori fascia nunc superposita.—Oncidium ornithocephalum, Lindl. Regel Gartenflora, tab. 689. Oncidium abortivum Anglorum (pertinacissime!)

The original discoverer would appear to be the late L. Schlim, Director Linden's unfortunate half-brother, who found it near St. Maria, in New Grenada: his plants flowered with Director Linden, where I saw it, as early as 1856, in full flower; and Dr. Lindley had obtained it, even in 1852, from the same source. More recently Director Linden imported it from Bogota. Then it appeared, I believe from Mr. Blunt, in the English collections. Finally, Mr. Roezl sent many specimens to Europe, and just now (November, 1871) a great plant is producing four inflorescences in the Hamburgh Botanic Gardens. When in England I am

quite accustomed to the kindness of many of my acquaintances, who are so good as to correct my statement of its being ornithocephalum, contending that it is abortivum. Now, having named Oncidium abortivum in 1849, a plant with a nearly trifid lip and a short heteranthous pyramidal inflorescence, a much rarer species, I must know something about that plant. No species is so near to O. ornithocephalum as my O. Magdalenæ (Seemann, Bonplandia, iii. 66), discovered also by Schlim, and found also by Wagener. It is exceedingly like O. ornithocephalum, but the flowers are larger, with much more brown, with a very acute often bent tooth before the callus and no stellate flowers.

Rhizome creeping or scandent. Pseudobulbs near one another, ovoideo-compressed, obtuse-angled, green, sometimes with a pruinose hue, one-leaved or two-leaved. Beneath the bulbs two triangular sheaths, or two articulate leaves, with cuneate-lanceolate lamine. Leaves of pseudobulbs cuneate-lanceolate acute, nearly a span long or shorter, and one inch broad or broader. Inflorescence very slender, as much as several feet long, with distant sheaths at the flowerless base, with many very short branchlets, which are very seldom branched, covered with crowded abortive stellate flowers, consisting of four or five linear acuminate segments, generally arcuate, and of very few developed flowers. Sepals unguiculate oblong acute; tepals decidedly broader. Lip very polymorphous, with broad basilar shoulders, oblong, or transverse ovate acute, or subquadrate retuse, with an apiculus, and obtuse-angled lobes at the base, or triangular, velvety below the column. The callus consists of five nearly parallel blunt undulated ridges; two small spots, one at each outside, are velvety, and then come three or only two angular extrorse keels. Column trigonous; wings narrow, long, obtuse-angled at both ends, the upper one much more elongated. Infrastigmatic table with a spreading angle on each side, and some short hairs over the angle. Anther-bed pandurate apiculate. Caudicle triangular, with three teeth near the pollinia. Flowers pallid yellow; sepals with a transverse cinnamon bar and a broad transverse or double band above the lip.

Materials:—Inspection of Dr. Lindley's type; a typical flower in my possession; also a specimen, "L. Schlim, No. 296," quoted by Dr. Lindley; several sketches and descriptions made from the living plant in the Lindenian, Saundersian, and Hamburgh Botanic Gardens; eight herbarium specimens.

Tab. 124.—The plant. 1, front view of flower +; 2, side view of the same +; 3, oblique view of lip and column +; 4, stellate abortive flower +; 5, pollinarium, oblique view +.

This curious and pretty species of *Oncidium* should be grown as recommended for the last-named species, Tab. 123. I obtained it from Columbia, where it was found and sent to this country by the late D. Bowman.— $W.\ W.\ S.$

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TAB. 125.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus Oncidium, Sw.

O. MACRANTHERUM, Hook. Bot. Mag. 3845. Walp. Ann. vi. 740! Pseudobulbis ligulatis usque ovoideis compressis ancipitibus, fultis a foliis articulatis ac vaginis triangulis ancipitibus, radicibus adventitiis valdiusculis multiflexis, foliis bulbi nunc solitariis nunc geminis cuneato-lanceis acuminatis, pedunculis ex folio fultienti nunc utroque, imo geminis ex una axilla, rhachi gracili, ad inflorescentiam usque vaginis lanceis, superne racemosis vel (raro) parce paniculatis, bracteis triangulis plurinerviis ovaria pedicellata non æquantibus, sepalis oblongoligulatis obtusiusculis, lateralibus ad medium seu basin versus fissis, tepalis oblongis seu oblongo-triangulis obtusatis, labello cuneato oblongo apice obtuse bilobo ante basin angulato deflexo, callo oblongo depresso velutino antice extenso a regione antebasilari discum usque impressione baseos melliflua carinis quadratum efficientibus cincta, columna brevi, rostello ornithorrhyncho producto bidentato, tabula infrastigmatica utrinque pone foveam brachio porrecto triangulo, anthera pandurato-oblonga magna, caudicula bene ligulata.— Leochilus oncidioides, Knw. Westc. Fl. Cab. ii. 1838, 143! Rodriguezia maculata, Lindl. B. Reg. xxviii. 1842, Misc. 22! Flores viriduli, hinc purpureo-lavati. Labellum albo-viride, callo maculis quibusdam purpureis, disco purpureo, nunc toto labello purpureo maculato.

This little plant was sent in April, 1840, by Mr. Parkinson, English Consul in Mexico, to the "princely" Woburn collection, as collected by M. Galeotti in Mexico. Sir William Hooker correctly stated it to be "quite unlike any other species of the genus with which I am acquainted." The drawing, published in 1841, was prepared by Mr. W. Fitch, and may candidly be recommended to many now-a-days so-called artists. It is a chaste and honest representation of the plant, as it was, and the few small faults (hairs on the back of column, not enough hairs on the callus of the lip, and the connate pollinia, in fig. 6) may not have been his, but Mr. Swan's, who engraved the plate. My wild specimens are all Mexican: Xalapa, Leibold! Ehrenberg!—5139;

fleurs violâtres: sur les Erythrina, de S. Ant. Huatusco, Galeotti! Huatusco, Linden, 203! Orizaba, Weber! My garden specimens were obtained from Paris by my lamented friend E. Desvaux! from the gardens of Messrs. Schiller, Saunders, and Day. I was once deceived by a singular monster, having the sepals and calli different. Dr. Lindley states the plant was sent from Guatemala by the late Mr. Skinner to J. Bateman, Esq.

Aërial roots stout for such a small, generally tiny plant, much bent, flexuose, not long. Pseudobulbs few, several triangular ancipitous scariose sheaths, and two articulate leaves under them. Leaves of pseudobulb one or two, cuneate-lanceolate acute. Common flower-stalks generally numerous, one or two proceeding from the axils of the leaves beneath the bulb. Under the inflorescence stand a few ample acuminate distant sheaths. Inflorescence racemose, even panicled by a few side-branches. Bracts triangular, scariose, ochreate, many-nerved, not nearly equalling the stalked ovaries. Sepals oblong-ligulate blunt, the lateral ones divided in very different degrees, now nearly to the base, now only at the top, with all intermediate grades. Tepals oblong or oblong-triangular, blunt. Lip cuneate-oblong, blunt, bilobed at its apex, with a pulvinate oblong hairy callus from the middle of the disk or behind it near to the base, where is a honeysecreting hollow surrounded by a square border of keels, varying in circumference to oblong. Column short. Androclinium with a velvety border. Rostellum projecting, lanceolate-bidentate. One flat triangular arm on each side of the stigmatic hollow. Caudicle ligulate.

Materials:—Sketches from the dry specimens prepared since 1844; sketches from fresh flowers; descriptions from fresh flowers; copy of Dr. Lindley's original sketches; twenty-two herbarium specimens.

Tab. 125.—The plant. I never saw such a strong-bulbed, grand-leaved specimen. 1, flower, front view +; 2, the same, oblique back view +; 3, lip and column, side view +; 4, lip, artificially expanded +; 5, column, showing the top +; 6, pollinarium +.

This plant seems to do well when grown in a cool house on a block and kept near the light. It is not a very free grower. My specimens were obtained from the Messrs. Low, of Clapton, and came from Mexico.—W. W. S.

AMAZON OF STREET



Oncidium flavescens. Rehb. fül.

TAB. 126.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus Oncidium, Sw.

O. FLAVESCENS, Rehb. fil., Walp. Ann. vi. 757! Radicibus adventitiis filiformibus tenuibus multiflexis, pseudobulbis junioribus a vaginis imbricantibus triangulis acutis carinatis numerosis stipatis, ipsis ligulatis seu oblongo-ligulatis ancipitibus diphyllis, foliis cuneato-ligulatis acutis, vagina stipante summa nunc laminigera, pedunculo elongato subancipiti infra flores vaginis scariosis triangulo-acuminatis dense imbricantibus vestitis, racemo usque multifloro, rhachi obtusangulo-flexuosa, bracteis scariosis spathaceis acuminatis patulis flores æquantibus seu excedentibus, sepalis ac tepalis sublatioribus ligulatis acutis, labello supra basin columnæ adnato pandurato-acuto seu oblongo-acuto a basi late cuneato, margine undulato ac minute crenulato, lineolis in basi radiantibus velutinis, linea antica bicruri a dente prosiliente in ima basi, columnæ alis abbreviatis nunc lobulatis nunc integris infra foveæ marginem infimum transcendentibus, tabula a labelli ungue omnino seu semivestita.—Cyrtochilum flavescens, Lindl. Bot. Reg. t. 1627! Miltonia flavescens, Lindl. Sert. sub. t. 48; Folia, I. v., Miltonia, No. 6! Rchb. f., Xenia, I. p. 129. Tota planta, uti species affines, flavido tincta, præsertim ubi luci valde exposita. Vaginæ et bracteæ stramineæ. Sepala et tepala sulphurea, demum flava. Labellum albidum, lineis velutinis plerisque purpureo-brunneis. Alæ columnæ albidæ seu flavidæ nunc purpureo-brunneo maculatæ. Flores exsiccati uti illi Brassiæ Lanceanea et Lawrenceana omnino fiunt cinnabarino miniati.

b. Stellatum. Floribus multo majoribus.—Cyrtochilum stellatum, Lindl. Sert. t. 7! Miltonia stellata, Lindl. Sert. t. 48!

This Brazilian species is by no means uncommon in gardens, coming very often with lots of Cattleyoids. The majority of Brazilian species being the strongest Orchids of the world, they accumulate in gardens, when others die as their successors are imported. It is, however, by no means common in herbaria. My specimens: Minas Geraës, Regnell! Rio Macahe and Canto Gallo, Riedel! Lagao Santa, Warming!

The variety, never seen by the late Dr. Lindley, who took it

from Mr. Descourtilz's drawings, appeared lately in the Royal Exotic Nursery of Messrs. Veitch.

Adventitious roots filiform, thin, very flexuose. Younger pseudobulbs with numerous imbricate triangular ancipitous sheaths, the highest now and then with a leaf-blade. Pseudobulb ligulate or oblong-ligulate, ancipitous, two-leaved. Leaves cuneato-ligulate acute. Flower-stalk elongate, nearly ancipitous, covered under the racemose part with numerous imbricating triangular acute ancipitous sheaths. Raceme many-flowered. Bracts linearspathaceous, acuminate, scariose, spreading, reminding one of Heliconias, as long or longer than the flowers. Sepals ligulateacute. Tepals generally a little broader. Lip adnate above the base of the column, broadly cuneate pandurate-acute or oblongacute, undulated and crenulated at the margin, with radiating velvety veins and two keels coming from a tooth-like conical process at the very base of that organ. Wings of column narrow, often lobed, now entire, passing under the stigmatic hollow. Infrastignatic table wholly or half-covered by the claw of the lip. The whole of the organs, roots excepted, have generally a yellowish or copper-coloured hue. The sheaths and bracts are straw-coloured; sepals and tepals sulphur-coloured, finally yellow, even ochroleucous; the lip whitish, the radiating velvety veins purplish; wings of column whitish or yellowish, now with purplish dots. The dried flowers turn out of a cinnabar-colour, as is often seen in the so-called Brassia Lanceana and Lawrenceana and Aspasia lunata.

Materials:—Sketches from living plants; description of living plant made at Leipsic; nineteen herbarium specimens.

Tab. 126.—A very small plant (and yet a specimen collected by Riedel is not equalling it half!). 1, column and lip +; 2, column, lip cut +; 3, column, lip cut, side view +. The two last figures given by Professor Reichenbach.

I obtained this old inhabitant of our stoves, many years since, from Mr. Masters, of Canterbury. When well grown it produces a good effect. Treated as recommended for *Oncidium planilabre*, Tab. 123, it will thrive and flower freely.—W. W. S.





Trichopilia fragrans. Rehb. fil

TAB. 127.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus TRICHOPILIA, Lindl.

T. Fragrans, Rehb. f., in Hamby, Gtz. 1858, p. 229. Vaginis sub pseudobulbo distichis scariosis stramineis punctis plurimis fuscis punctulatis, pseudobulbis approximatis ovatis seu ligulatis seu depresso-pyriformibus semper ancipitibus monophyllis, folio cuneato-oblongo obtuse acuto, usque ultra pedem longo, duos imo tres pollices lato, pedunculo usque spithamaeo erecto seu porrecto pauci vaginato, vaginis scariosis acutis tribus quatuorve arctis, apice vulgo bifloro, bracteis carinatis oblongis acutis ovariis pedicellatis bene brevioribus, sepalis lineari-lanceis acutis, tepalis sublatioribus undulatis, labello a basi cuneato pandurato quadrilobo ima linea media columnæ adnato, ubique obtusangulo, plica basin versus utrinque insiliente, carina basi ante columnam, columna subtereti brevi, androclinii limbo erecto denticulato, limbis foveæ pronis fovea subtrigona, anthera per dorsum carina obtusa erecta.—Pilumna fragrans, Lindl.! Bot. Reg. xxx. 1844, Misc. 74! Trichopilia candida, Linden, in Lindl. Orch. Lind. p. 13. Trichopilia fragrans, Rehb. f. in Xenia Orchid. ii. 100! Walp. Ann. vi. 380! Trichopilia fragrans-nobilis, Linden & André, Illustrat. Horticole, xix. tab. 94. Flos candidus, macula ante labelli basin aurea.

A Columbian plant, originally discovered by the late Mr. Hartweg at Popayan! Merida 5000', Linden, 549! Funck and Schlim, 1189! Epiphyte dans les forêts de Lagunette et Valle 5—6000' Sept. Funck and Schlim, 1026. It has recently been largely introduced by Messrs. Linden, Veitch, and Low. It came also from Huancabamba, sent by Mr. Wallis to Mr. Linden.

The Pilumna fragrans, Hook. Bot. Mag. 5035, is not this, but the Trichopilia Wageneri, Rehb. fil.

Very near to *T. nobilis*, Rchb. f., from Jaji. This appears to be distinct by the much thinner flowers and a long claw to the hastate crisp lip. The plant represented by Messrs. Linden and André, under the erroneous statement of its being true *nobilis*, appears by no means distinct from the old plant.

Sheaths under the pseudobulb distichous, scariose, straw-coloured, with many brown small dots. Pseudobulbs close

together, ovate or ligulate, or depresso-pyriform, always ancipitous, one-leaved. Leaf cuneate-oblong, bluntly acute, reaching one foot in length and two or three inches wide. Flower-stalk up to one span high, erect or porrect, strong, greenish white, with three to four generally blunt distant sheaths, generally two-flowered. Bracts keeled, oblong, acute, much shorter than the stalked oraries. Sepals linear-lanceolate acute. Tepals a little broader and undulate. Lip very shortly unguiculate, expanded into a blunt quadrilobed blade; the lateral laciniæ erecto-cucullate, with a keel at the base before the line where it is adherent to the base of the column. Column nearly terete, short; border of androclinium erect, generally retuse, slightly toothed; borders of trigonous stigmatic hollow protruded; anther-case with a longitudinal blunt keel. Flowers white, with a yellow blotch before the base of the lip.

Materials:—Inspection of Dr. Lindley's types; description of living plant in Saundersian collection and Hamburgh Botanic Garden; sketches of flowers, made since 1853; a great sketch made for me by Dr. Lindley; ten herbarium specimens.

Tab. 127.—The plant. 1, oblique view of column +; 2, anther +; 3, pollinarium +; 4, the same, under side. Figs. 2, 3, 4 given by Prof. Reichenbach.

This very fragrant Orchid produces its beautiful flowers very regularly when under temperate treatment and grown upon a block near the light. My stock of the plant came from two sources, Mr. D. Bowman sending it from Columbia, and M. J. Linden providing me with a plant from the same country.— W. W. S.





Rodriguezia Batemani, Popp Endl

TAB. 128.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Rodriguezia, R. Pav.

R. Batemani, Popp. Endl. Nov. Gen. & Sp. vol. i. t. 70! Radicibus filiformibus apice multirameis albis apice viridibus elongatis plus quam pedalibus de caule disticho ochroleuco triangulo scarioso vaginato pendulis, pseudobulbis ovoideis nitidissimis prasinis demum sulcatis compressis, foliis stipantibus articulatis vaginis limbo libero membranaceo scariosis, laminis cuneatis late ligulatis inæqualiter acutis, folio pseudobulbi cuneato-oblongo ligulato acuto, racemo paucifloro porrecto seu pendulo, nunc densifloro, bracteis triangulis carinatis acutis ovaria pedicellata longe non æquantibus, sepalo superiori cuneato-oblongo fornicato acuto, sepalo inferiori subæquali curvulo acuto basi gibbo, tepalis cuneato-obovatis obtuse acutis, labello utrinque ante basin angulato, lato ligulato antice dilatato marginato, carinis geminis per medium, ante basin utrinque in plicam extrorsam excurrentibus, calcari solido parco conico acuto seu emarginato minutissime verruculoso brevissimo, columnæ brachiis erectis ligulatis acutiusculis seu falcatis.—Burlingtonia rubescens, Lindl. Bot. Reg. xxiii. Sub. 1927! Rodriquezia Batemani, Pöpp. Endl. Walp. Ann. vi. 694! Rehb. f. in Gardn. Chronicle, 1866, 1042! Flores albo-virides. Tepala et labellum purpureo aspersa, imo striata.

It was in 1830 that the late Professor Pöppig discovered this graceful plant near Maynas, in Peru, growing on calabash trees: coming home, in 1833, so exhausted that he seemed to have but a few months to live, he was appointed to Leipsic; there, having enjoyed the visit of young Mr. Bateman, who, no doubt, knew Orchids better than he, he dedicated the plant to the young English traveller. Thus matters stood till 1866; then the plant flowered with Director Linden, sent by Mr. Wallis from Moyabamba, I believe. I obtained flowers from Director Linden and the Lord Bishop of Winchester. There is, however, no great hope of keeping the plant long in gardens. It was a very difficult task to ascertain the identity of the Pöppigian and the Lindenian plants, since Dr. Pöppig's specimens are not prepared in such a manner as to make investigation easy.

Aërial roots filiform, with many branches at their top, white, with green apex, more than a foot long, coming from the short trunk with ochroleucous distichous triangular scariose sheath. Pseudobulbs ovoid, very shining, leek-coloured, finally sulcate compressed. Leaves beneath the bulb articulate, with scariose membranous borders to the sheath and cuneate broadly ligulate unequally acute blades. Leaf of pseudobulb cuneate-oblong ligulate acute. Raceme few-flowered, dense, porrect or pendulous. Bracts triangular, keeled, acute, not nearly equalling the stalked ovaries. Upper sepal cuneate-oblong-acute fornicate. Inferior sepal nearly equal, curved, acute, gibbous at the base. Tepals cuneate-obovate bluntly acute. Lip angular on both sides before the base, broad, ligulate, dilated and emarginate, with two membranous keels from the base of the widened anterior part, ending in an extrorse fold on the basilar angle; spur solid conical acute or emarginate, very short, with very small warts. Arms of column erect, ligulateacute or sulcate. Flowers whitish or greenish. Tepals and lip with four purplish streaks.

Materials:—Sketches of fresh flowers and of Dr. Pöppig's dry specimens; description from fresh plant in the Saundersian collection; four herbarium specimens; inspection of the Pöppigian types in Vienna Herbarium.

Tab. 128.—Plant. 1, flower, side view +; 2, flower, front view +; 8, side view of lip, involving the column +; 4, expanded lip +; 5, column, side view +; 6, top of column, front view +; 7, pollinarium +. Fig. 4 given by Professor Reichenbach. The colours have been observed by our artist brighter than I, alas! ever happened to see them.

A very pretty and interesting species of *Rodriguezia*, requiring the same treatment as *Trichopilia fragrans*, Tab. 127. I received the plant from Mons. J. Linden, who procured it from Peru.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 129.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Rodriguezia, R. Pav.

R. REFRACTA, Rchb. f. Walp. Ann. vi. 695! Pseudobulbis ancipitis pyriformibus monophyllis, basi vaginis triangulis acutis stipatis, folio pseudobulbi cuneato-oblongo acuto, racemo paucifloro porrecto, parte anantha plurivaginata, bracteis triangulis ovario pedicellato pluries brevioribus, sepalo dorsali cuneato-obovato obtuse acuto, sepalis lateralibus in unum corpus naviculare angustum apice incurvum bidentatum connatis, refractiis cum ovario pedicellato parallelum, tepalis cuneato-obovatis hine apiculatis hine obtusis, labello unguiculato in laminam quadratam obtusangulam panduratam emarginatam extenso, lamellis seriatis angulatis retrorsum decrescentibus utrinque quaternis seu quinis a disco in basin, mediis productis, calcari solido lato lineari acuto elongato retrorso a vagina sepalorum lateralium involuto, ex parte adnato, columna clavata glabra, brachiis duobus juxta foveam, duobus juxta androclinium nunc ligulatis acutis nunc falcatis. -Burlingtonia refracta, Lindl. Gardn. Chronicle, 22nd October, 1853, 679 b!

For a long while this plant was to me a very doubtful one. Dr. Lindley had described it after having got a living specimen from Mr. Skinner, and dried specimens from Santa Martha, Purdie, who was collector for Kew Gardens. I possess a copy of Dr. Lindley's original analytical sketches, and a rich specimen from Purdie with the author's own hand-writing; but I was always bothered by finding the Purdiean specimen very different from the original description and analytical sketch, so that I never could come to the point. Finally came the fresh inflorescence from the plant now represented. After longer consideration, I keep the name for this, which entirely corresponds with Dr. Lindley's description and analytical sketch. There is but one single difference, of no great importance. Dr. Lindley says the flowers are dirty white, a little stained with purple, and the elevations of the lip spotted with dull red. Director Linden's plant, sent in the spring of 1867, said to come from northern Peru, had the flowers whitish yellow, with purplish spots round and on the carinæ of the lip. I was not so fortunate as to see it so brown as our artist happened to see them. I have no doubt that both the description and the sketches of Dr. Lindley were taken from the Skinnerian fresh specimen. We have here a very rare instance when the typical specimen of the author must be neglected, and description and sketch preferred. I openly confess that I did not immediately come to this conclusion. Purdie's specimen belongs to Rodriguezia granatensis.

Pseudobulbs ancipitous-pyriform, one-leaved, with inferior triangular scariose sheaths. Leaf of pseudobulb cuneate-oblongacute. Raceme few-flowered, porrect, the lower part with several sheaths. Bracts triangular, much shorter than the pedicellate ovary. Dorsal sepal cuneate-obovate, bluntly acute; lateral sepals combined into one navicular narrow body, with an incurved apex, nearly parallel to the stalked ovary. Tepals cuneate-obovate, now blunt, now with a little apiculus. Lip unguiculate, expanded into a quadrato-pandurate obtuse-angled emarginate blade. On both sides there stand four or five angular keels from disk to base, the most interior the longest, just reaching the disk; a solid linear acute spur, nearly equalling half the body of the sheathing lateral sepals, which involve it. Column clavate, glabrous, with two ligulate or falcate arms near the fovea, and two similar arms near the androclinium.

Materials:—A copy of Dr. Lindley's sketch; my own sketch; my single well-according herbarium specimen. I have scarcely any doubt that the plant is now dead everywhere. Who knows when it may reappear?

Tab. 129.—The plant. 1, flower, side view; 2, the same, sepals and tepals cut; 3, lip expanded +; 4, column, front view +; 5, 6, pollinaria +. The colours are much brighter than I saw them.

Another interesting *Rodriguezia*, obtained from Peru by Mons. J. Linden, from whom I received my plant. It requires the same treatment as recommended for Tab. 128. The colour of the flowers is very peculiar, but few are produced at a time.—
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Maxillaria Desvauxiana, Rehb Fil

TAB. 130.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus LYCASTE, Lindl.

L. Schilleriana, Rehb. f. in Scemann, Bonplandia, iii. 215! Walp. Ann. vi. 604! Pseudobulbis oblongo-ovoideis ancipitibus diphyllis, foliis plicatis cuneato-oblongis acutis, foliorum cicatricibus aculeatis, foliis stipantibus anthesi emaciatis, pedunculo ultra pedali, vaginis paucis (3-4) amplis ostio triangulis distantibus, bractea spathacea ovarium pedicellatum vulgo duplo excedente, mento parvo obtuse conico, sepalis ligulatis acuminatis, tepalis oblongis acutis duplo brevioribus, labello trilobo, lobis lateralibus semioblongis medium usque, lobo medio producto ligulato seu oblongo obtuso parce denticulato, appendice ligulata retusa inter a laciniarum lateralium apicibus basin versus extrorsum margine utrinque arcuata, columna trigona medio villosa, basi velutina, anthera obtusa velutina, fovea transversa humili. Sepala olivacea seu viridia. Tepala, labellum, et columna alba. Labellum lineis quibusdam maculisque albo-purpureis. Columnæ pes et unguis labelli flavi maculis duabus brunneis in pede columnæ.

This giant species flowered at the late Consul Schiller's, in 1854, at the beginning of July. There was a single plant, sent from an English sale by the late Mr. Ure Skinner. This was all that was known for a very long while, till finally, a very short time ago, I obtained the flower from various English correspondents, the first from Mr. Williams, then from Mr. Low, then from others. There is a general belief that it was sent from New Grenada by that excellent collector, Mr. Blunt. I never saw a dried specimen collected at the place.

Pseudobulbs oblong-ovoid, ancipitous, two-leaved. Leaves plaited, cuneate-oblong, acute. Leaves beneath the bulb numerous, but withered when it is mature, leaving only a few sheaths. Common flower-stalk more than a foot high, with few (three to four) wide distant sheaths with triangular opening. Bracts spathaceous, nearly twice as long as the stalked ovary. Sepals ligulate-acuminate. Tepals oblong-acute, half as long. Lip trilobed; lateral lobes semioblong from the base to the middle; middle lobe ligulate or oblong, much longer, blunt,

with small denticulations; appendix depressed, ending between the end of the lateral lobes and slightly arched on both sides towards the base. Column trigonous, villous in the middle, velvety to the base. Anther blunt, velvety. Stigmatic hollow transverse, very low. Sepals olive or green. Tepals, lip and column white; lip with some pallid purplish streaks and blotches. Claw of lip yellow. Two brown blotches on the yellow foot of column.

Materials:—I often saw the Schillerian type living, and made sketches and descriptions from the living plant: we have it now at the Hamburgh Botanic Garden. Twenty-one dried specimens.

Tab. 130.—A flower. 1, lip, seen obliquely +; 2, column, oblique side view +; 3, pollinarium +.

This plant produces fine effective flowers, of a large size, but wanting much in colour, the sepals being very dingy greenish brown. It flowers regularly when treated in quite a temperate, moderately damp house, and grown in a pot with spongy peat. I am indebted to my friend Mr. Sigismund Racker for my plant of this interesting Lycaste.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 131.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Lycaste, *Lindl*.

L. XYTRIOPHORA, Linden & Rehb. f. in hortis. Radicibus adventitiis ramosis deflexis diu pilosis, pseudobulbis maturis basi vaginis emaciatis ochroleuco-fuscis seu albido-fuscis, ovoideo-hexangulis seu subdepressis seu utrinque fornicatis jugis duobus obtusangulis prosilientibus superficie tota tenuissime rugulosa, foliorum cicatricibus in apice apiculatis, foliis in pseudobulbo geminis seu ternis a petiolari basi cuneata oblongis seu oblongo-ligulatis acuminatis, nunc circa limbum minute undulato-plicatis, inferne quinquecostatis, nervulis tenerioribus, pedunculis aggregatis vix quatuor pollices altis, vaginis quatuor baseos brevibus obtuse acutis fuscatis, suprema multo ampliori vaginata acuta, bractea subfoliacea viridi cucullato acuminata sæpius totum florem subæquante, mento conico retuso, sepalis oblongis apiculatis, lateralibus sæpius acutis, tepalis oblongis sursum attenuatis subtus angulis obtusis, labello oblongoligulato antice trilobo lobis lateralibus apice extrorso rectangulis, lobo medio producto longiori ovato hine dentato, callo lineari a regione antebasilari usque in basin lobi antici, ibi cochleariformi, lateribus suis valde libero, columna clavata antice sub fovea velutina, anthera obtusata velutina. Sepala viridi-brunnea, apicibus mere viridia, interne præsertim violaceo-purpureo irrorata. Tepala et labellum albido-flaveola. Tepala basi purpureo-lavata. Nonnullæ lineolæ radiantes purpureæ nunc in labelli basi. Callus flavus maculis rubropurpureis.

This species came, in 1867, from Director Linden, who obtained it from Ecuador or Peru, I believe from the neighbourhood of rich Loxa. I possess a dried flower from Mr. Wallis, signed "Ecuador." It appears that the lot sent to Mr. Linden was not inconsiderable. It stands at a very moderate price in the Lindenian catalogue of Orchids. We have not only obtained twice, at the Hamburgh Botanic Garden, living plants from Mr. Linden, but both are even now alive, one a very strong mass. As a species it ranks near the L. macrophylla, Lindl.,

a plant with an immense geographical range, descending from Costa Rica to New Grenada and Venezuela, Bolivia and Peru. There is no doubt that *L. plana*, Lindl., is the same plant, though there is great doubt that there may ever appear such an elegantly coloured thing as represented in Bot. Reg. 1843, t. 35: Miss Drake may have dipped her brush into a wrong colour, just as our good von Warscewicz did so very often. *L. macrophylla* has a much longer peduncle, and the callus of the lip is very different—flat up to its apex, not expanded in such a spoon-like excavation.

Adventitious roots branched, long continuing hairy, subterraneous. Mature pseudobulbs with an emaciated vellowish or whitish brown sheath at their base, ovoid-hexangular, a little ancipitous, having two blunt ribs on each side, covered with small transverse grooves like "shagreen leather." Leaves two or three on the pseudobulbs, with a cuneate petiolar base, oblong or oblong-ligulate acuminate, often undulated and plaited around the limb, with five stronger ribs on the under side. Common flower-stalks several close together, four inches high, with four brownish short blunt acute sheaths at the base and a wider acuminate one beneath the subfoliaceous green subcucullate acuminate bract, often equalling the flower. Chin conical, blunt. Sepals oblong-acuminate, the lateral ones often only acute. Tepals oblong-attenuate, nearly triangular, blunt. Lip oblong-ligulate, three-lobed towards the point; lateral lobes rectangular, blunt; middle lobe much longer, ovate or oblong, with a few small teeth. A linear callus from the antebasilar region, dilated between the lateral lobes into a spoon-like process, with erect border. Column clavate, with numerous small hairs below the stigmatic hollow. Anther blunt, velvety. Sepals brownish greenish, with a violetpurplish hue, except at the tips, which are generally full green. Tepals and lip whitish yellow; some purplish colour at base of tepals and purplish lines on the disk of lip. Callus yellow, with purplish blotches.

Materials:—Description of the living plant in the Saundersian collection, compared with plants of the Hamburgh Garden; my original sketches; one wild and nine garden specimens; inspection of many fresh flowers, the plant having very much flowered in Hamburgh Botanic Garden. I never observed such broad anterior lobes to the lip as are represented by our artist.

Tab. 131.—The plant. 1, flower, side view, sepals and tepals cut +; 2, lip, oblique view +; 3, expanded lip, from the type +; 4, column +; 5, pollinarium +. The figures 3 and 5 given by Professor Reichenbach.

A very free flowering Lycaste, treated as Tab. 130. I received plants of it from Mons. Carmiol collected in Costa Rica, and Mons. J. Linden also supplied me with a plant, but the locality from whence it was procured is unknown to me. Although the sepals are of a dull reddish purple colour, the plant is well worth growing.—W. W. S.



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TAB. 132.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Maxillaria, R. Pav.

M. Elongata, Lindl. Paxton, Fl. Gard. iii. p. 69 c. Xyl. 264! Dense cæspitosa, radicibus terrestribus densis descendentibus validis lævibus, pseudobulbis transsectione teretibus, inferne vaginis arctis castaneis nunc fusco prætextis vestitis, superne longissime nudis viridibus lucidis lævibus diphyllis, foliis a cuneata petiolari basi oblongo-acuminatis, crassius membranaceis, nervis quinisinfra prominulis, superne nitidis, inferne, pallidioribus, pedunculo porrecto, vaginis partis inferioris amplis cucullatis acutis, racemo plurifloro, bracteis linearilanceis acuminatis, inferioribus ovaria pedicellata æquantibus, ovariis punctulatis, mento valde angulato, sepalo superiori ligulato-acuminato, sepalis lateralibus latioribus, subdimidiatis, tepalis ligulatis acuminatis subbrevioribus, labello valde carnoso cuneato oblongo-ligulato medio utrinque obtusangulo, lobo antico subcochleato, margine valde crasso, carinulis ternis valde brevibus inter lacinias laterales, seriebus papularum minutarum post illas, lobo antice cristulis papulosis supra et infra nervos verrucoso, rugoso utroque latere, columna trigona, anthera obtuse conica, caudicula brevi, sed bene evoluta.— Maxillaria elongata, Lindl., Walp. Ann. vi. 508! Rchb. f., Beitr. Orch. Centr. Am. 30! Maxillaria roseans, A. Rich. Hort. Flores albo-straminei, demum rosei. Labellum sordide violaceum seu flavum, carinulis obscure brunneis.

It appears that the plant came first to the Jardin de l'École de Médicine, at Paris, of which M. Rivière is Curator. I obtained it from there as early as 1852, through my late friend Emile Desvaux. Achille Richard gave a new name to nearly every species (as in the Galeottian Orchidology). The species was said to come from Guatemala, which is very probable. During the same time J. de Warscewicz, most successful in travelling and most unsuccessful in sending, had found the same plant in the Cordillera de Chiriqui, at an elevation of 7000 feet. It flowered in England, and I have three dried spikes and a sketch from him. Finally, I obtained from Costa Rica two good specimens from Mr. Endres. The plant came from Paris in Consul Schiller's collection, and

is now, too, in that of the Hamburgh Botanic Garden and of W. Wilson Saunders, Esq. The plant flowers very freely, giving two spikes from the same bulb, one after the other.

Densely exspitose. Roots terrestrial, dense, strong, without hairs. Pseudobulbs terete, furnished at the base with narrow chesnut-coloured sheaths, bordered with darker brown, very long, destitute of leaves, green, shining, two-leaved; the young shoot has several distichous leaves, those beneath the two terrestrial ones sheathing, with deciduous sessile triangular blades. Leaves with a cuneato-petiolar base oblong-acuminate, with five very prominent nerves on the under side, very shining on the upper side, pallid beneath, thickly membranaceous. Common flower-stalk porrect, sheaths of lower part wide, cucullate, acute. Raceme generally with a dozen flowers, dense. Bracts linear-lanceolate, acuminate (as in Maxillaria bractescens, Lindl.), nearly equalling the lower flowers, the upper ones much shorter. Ovaries with small blackish acute warts. Chin very well developed, obtuse-angled. Upper sepal ligulateacuminate; lateral sepals broader, a little dimidiate. Tenals ligulate-acuminate, rather shorter. Lip very fleshy, cuneate oblong-ligulate in the middle, obtuse-angled on both sides; anterior lobe nearly spoon-shaped, excavated, with very thick margins; three very small and obscure keels in the disk between the lateral angular lobes; all the nerves behind it covered with very small warts; the nerves of anterior lobe covered with much stronger wartish elevations, now and then forming a nearly crisp membranaceous keel. Column trigonous. Anther-bed blunt, conical. Caudicle short, but well developed. I observed the perigone whitish yellowish, turning later in purplish. I believe Achille Richard saw the same, when he gave his name "roseans." The lip is yellowish, with brownish warts; I saw it also dark violet. Later J. de Warscewicz brought home a sketch representing the flowers yellow, painted with brown; he used to urge that the same Orchids had very different colours at various elevations. This may be so; but we know very well that the same Orchid plant brings very differently coloured flowers in various years—whether from the very different intensity of light or from the soil used, I do not know. No plants are more variable in this respect than some Stanhopeas. I never observed such a well-developed system of keels on the lip (fig. 4), nor such bright colours as observed by our artist.

Materials:—Copy of the Warscewiczian sketch; my own analytical sketches, prepared at various times; description of plant made in Saundersian garden, 1868, and compared in the Hamburgh Garden; ten herbarium specimens.

Tab. 132.—The plant. 1, flower, front view +; 2, the same, side view +; 3, the same, sepals and tepals cut +; 4, lip, front view +; 5, column, front view +; 6, 7, pollinaria +.

An Orchid remarkable for its long slender pseudobulbs. My plant was presented to me by the Messrs. Veitch, who have on various occasions enriched my collection of Orchids by several interesting species, and I am much indebted to them for their kind assistance. This plant grows and flowers freely when grown in a temperate house, and treated as recommended for Tab. 130. — W. W. S.

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TAB. 133.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Maxillaria, Ruiz. & Pav.

M. Rufescens, Lindl. Bot. Reg. xxi. 1802, in textu! xxii. 1836, t. 1848! Description, see our Plate 79, where the smaller yellow-flowered form is represented.—Maxillaria fuscata, Hort.! M. acutifolia, Lindl.! Bot. Reg. xxv. 1839, Misc. 148! M. articulata, Klotzsch, Semin. Berol. Hort. Bot. 1853, Notul. No. 3.—(? M. galeata, Scheidw. Berl. Gartz. 1842, 309! M. rugosa, Scheidw., l. c. 1843, 101!) M. rufescens, Lindl. Walp. Ann. vi. 523! Rchb. f. in Bonplandia, ii. 16!

The original specimen was said to come from Trinidad, where the plant is described as common by Mr. Bradford (see Grisebach. 'Flora of the British West Indian Islands,' p. 626, where the plant is made a Xylobium, as if it had plaited leaves and a spike like Maxillaria elongata!), whence came also the Saundersian specimen for Plate 79. It appears to be common in Cuba, at M. Verde, flowering in May and September, where Mr. Wright collected it several times: a very precious gift for herbaria, where it occurs exceedingly seldom from the native place. I have a copy of a sketch prepared by my friend Wagener in Venezuela: he found it at 6000 feet elevation, flowering in November, in Caracas. Living specimens flowered at Berlin (M. articulata, Klotzsch!) and at Kröllwitz, near Halle a S., in the collection of Mr. Keferstein, one of the nicest and best kept amateur collections I ever knew, now long since given up. It was a small-flowered variety that gave copious fruits without ever having opened its flowers—a most remarkable instance of fertilization, which one may observe often enough if one is not blind from theory-spinning. The M. acutifolia was introduced by Messrs. Loddiges from Demerara. J. Day, Esq., introduced the plant from Brazil. The plant was exceedingly common in collections, and is even now imported oftener than nurserymen and amateurs would like, since it is not at all appreciated.

An English description is given for Plate 79. I may add a few remarks. The pseudobulbs are represented by our artist quite

ancipitous, while we call them subtetragonous. Indeed one may see them very often simply ancipitous. They occur, however, often subtetragonous, especially when they have given a young shoot. Thus a representation of Mr. Keferstein's plant which I made in 1851 represents (and an added description says) the older bulbs subcostate in the middle. Mr. Wright says simply, "Tubers flattish, quadrangular." The flowers give a wonderful perfume, reminding one much of Vanilla. The disk of the lip is glutinous, and the long velvety line consists of epidermal cellules going out into clavate processes, standing close together. The superior side of the leaves is covered with numberless transverse wrinkles (transverse rugosula).

Materials:—Sketches prepared at various times; inspection of Dr. Lindley's types; twenty herbarium specimens; several living plants in the Hamburgh Botanic Garden.

Tab. 133.—Plant, representing a fully developed variety. 1, lip, oblique view +; 2, lip, side view +; 3, column, front view +; 4, column, side view +; 5, 6, pollinaria +; 7, some of the cellules forming the velvety line of the lip, $\frac{1}{700} +$.

I have specimens of this plant from Trinidad, sent thence by Mr. Horne. Also specimens procured from the Royal Horticultural Society, said to have come from Santa Martha. The plant is very free flowering, and the flowers are richly and powerfully scented. It should be grown on a block in the temperate house, and placed near the light.—W. W. S.

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Lycaste Schilleriana, Rehb. Fil.

TAB. 134.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Maxillaria, Ruiz. & Pav.

M. Desvauxiana, Rehb., f., Seemann, Bonplandia, iii. 67! Walp. Ann. vi. 524! Rhizomate breviusculo, radicibus adventitiis filiformibus validis numerosis, pseudobulbis aggregatis, vetustis ovoideo-pyriformibus ancipitibus sulcatis, junioribus vaginis triangulis complicatis scariosis demum solutis imbricatis, primum pulchre viridibus, demum fuscis, omnibus monophyllis, folio ima basi longe petiolari complicato dein oblongo-ligulato bene acuto superne valde lævigato, nitente, infra pallido, pedunculo brevi, dense vaginis magnis scariosis triangulis tecto, bractea æquali sepalum dorsali basi tegente, mento prope obsoleto, sepalis oblongo-ligulatis apiculatis, tepalis paullo latioribus et brevioribus, labello subbreviori, late ligulato apice paullo emarginato utrinque obtusangulo, hine trilobo, carinula hippocrepica in basi, nunc linea utrinque retrorsa callum longiusculum efficiente, disco lobi antici ruguloso verrucoso, columna clavata, androclinio elevato cincto, anthera mitrata, calva, glandula hippocrepica.—Maxillaria petiolaris, A. Rich. MSS. Ovaria sordide purpurea. Sepala flavo-brunnea cinnamomea lavata. Tepala et labellum sordide violaceo-purpurea. Verrucæ in disco antico labelli lobi antici atrato-purpureæ seu atratæ.

This species appeared first at Paris in the Jardin de l'École de Médicine, said to come from Cayenne. I obtained it from my late friend Emile Desvaux, in whose memory I named it. I obtained also flowers from M. Rivière, the able Curator of that establishment. The same plant was found in Surinam by Focke! (from whom I have a sketch with very dirty violet colours) and by Splitgerber! (from whom I obtained a flower in spirits by Professor Miquel!) It was also found in New Grenada by my friend Wagener, whose excellent dried specimen I possess. Finally, W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., introduced it from Brazil. Many of these Orchids would appear to have a very wide area. Those who name plants from the geographical indications will not feel too much pleased by such wide ranges.

Rhizome short. Adventitious roots thick, filiform, numerous. Pseudobulbs near one another, the old ones ovoideo-pyriform,

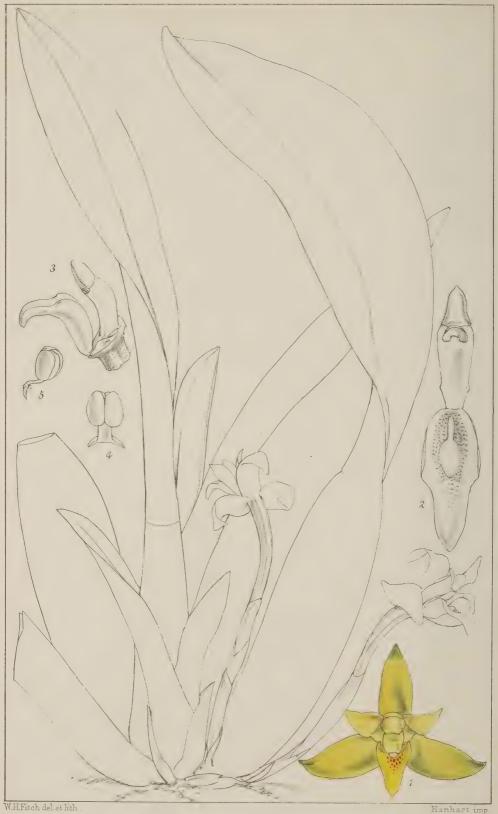
ancipitous-sulcate, the younger ones covered with scariose triangular complicate sheaths, soon dissolving in fibres, very green when young; all the bulbs monophyllous. Leaf with a long complicate petiolar narrow base, and an oblong-ligulate very acute very shining glossy blade, pallid and opaque on the under side; the petiolar part varying in length; I have, however, never seen it so short as represented by the artist; in my Wagenerian specimen it is nearly a span long, and the late Achille Richard would never have given his name of "petiolaris" if he had seen fresh specimens, as are here represented. Common flower-stalk short, covered with scariose triangular acute sheaths. Bract like the upper one, larger, covering the base of the upper sepal. Sepals oblong-ligulate, apiculate. Tepals a little shorter and broader. Lip even shorter than or equal to the tepals, broadly ligulate, slightly emarginate at the blunt end, obtuse-angled on both the middle sides, then nearly trilobed. A small horse-shoe-like keel behind the out-springing lateral angles, now going out into sidelines, to make a sort of callus; I have, however, never seen such a clear long callus as has been represented by the artist. The anterior disk of lip covered with rounded dark warts. Column clavate; border of androclinium elevated. Anther mitrate, without papillæ. Glandule horse-shoe shaped. The flowers have purplish ovaries, yellowish brown sepals, with a cinnamon hue; tepals and lip dirty purplish, with very dark warts on the anterior disk of the same.

Materials:—Observation of the living plant in the Saundersian collection, and that at Luxemburg, near Paris, 1867; observation of fresh flowers; thirteen herbarium specimens.

Tab. 134.—1, flower, front view +; 2, flower, side view +; 3, the same, sepals cut +; 4, the same, sepals and tepals cut +; 5, lip +; 6, column +; 7, 8, pollinaria +.

Treated as Maxillaria rufescens, Tab. 133, this plant does well and flowers freely. My plants came from Brazil; some from the vicinity of Bahia, collected by Mr. E. Reed. It is a curious species, more appreciated by the botanist than the horticulturist. —W. W. S.

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Maxillaria crassifolia, Rchb Fil

TAB. 135.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Maxillaria, Ruiz. & Pav.

M. Crassifolia, Rchb. f. in Seemann, Bonplandia, ii. 16! Walp. Ann. vi. 529! Radicibus adventitiis valde firmis brunneis terrestribus, pseudobulbis ligulatis ancipitibus valde lævibus viridiprasinis, 5—6 pollices longis, angulo altero basin versus applanato excavato, foliis stipantibus vaginæformibus summo laminigero, pseudobulbi monophylli folio lato ligulato apice inæqualiter exeunte, altero latere dentiformi prosiliente, altero imo introrsum angulato, superne obscure prasino, inferne pallidiore lineolis parvis transversis impressis plurimis, pedunculis axillaribus paucivaginatis, ovario pedicellato longissime bracteam cupulatam apiculatam excedente, ovario punctulato, mento subnullo, perigonio carnoso coriaceo, sepalis ligulatis acuminatis, tepalis linearibus acutis, labello ligulato acuto medio utringue extrorsum acutangulo, tumore velutino longitudinali in axi inter lacinias laterales, altero per discum laciniæ anticæ, columna trigona, anthera conica subscabra.—Heterotaxis crassifolia, Lindl. Bot. Reg. xii. 1826, 1028! Lodd. Bot. Cab. 1651! Dicrypta Baueri, Lindl. Gen. & Sp. Orch. 44! 152! Bauer, Ill. Orch. tab. v.! Flores flavi, labello aurantiaco maculis rubris pieto.

For a long time this has been a weed in the gardens, and yet we do not know much about its habitat. So much is quite certain, that it grows near Caracas, whence I obtained it dried and sketched by my excellent friend Wagener. It is certain that it was introduced by several collectors, also by W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., from Brazil; and the same gentleman has obtained it from Costa Rica by Mr. Carmiol, whose specimen I saw flowering at Hillfield House, Reigate, in the autumn of 1868. It is spoken of as common in the Antilles. My numerous Antillan specimens are, however, altogether very unsatisfactory.

Adventitious roots very strong, terrestrial. Pseudobulbs ligulate, quite even, greenish bluish, ancipitous, with the one angle generally excavated near the very base; several sheaths stand beneath the young pseudobulb, the uppermost one sometimes with an articulate lamina; the bulbs are one-leaved. Leaf broadly ligulate,

with a blunt unequal apex, one side extended into a sharp angle, the other inferior, even, dark leek-green on the upper side, more pallid beneath, with many small impressed transverse lines on the upper side. Common flower-stalk axillary, with a few wide lax nearly blunt sheaths and an angular very short apiculated bract beneath the elongated stalked scabrous ovary. Sepals ligulateacuminate or acute. Tepals linear-acute. Lip ligulate-acute, with a tooth-like angle on each side and a velvet oblong callus, narrower at the base between the lateral lobes, and one long callosity on the disk of the anterior lobe. Column trigonous. Anther conical, subscabrous; the whole of the perigone fleshy leathery; scarcely any chin. Flowers pale yellow in our stoves, orange near Caracas, according to my friend Wagener's sketch, always with a greenish hue outside the sepals. Lip orange-coloured, the tumours sulphur-coloured, many or few purplish or cinnabar spots and dots scattered over its surface.

There is a certain *Maxillaria* very near this, which I described ten years since, though, from my remembrance, I never published it. I add a short diagnosis:—

Maxillaria superflua. Foliis loratis lineari-ligulatis apice inæqualibus, pedunculo vaginato, bractea cupulari brevissima, mento minuto, sepalis ligulatis acutis, tepalis angustioribus brevioribus, labello ligulato acuto versus medium utrinque angulato, tumore velutino uno posteriore, uno anteriore.

The lip is violet, with yellowish tumors. The tepals have usually a violet streak inside.

 $M.\ discolor$, Lindl., has the broadest, $M.\ superflua$ the narrowest leaves. Garden plant from Demerara.

Materials:—Old and new sketches; description from the living plant in Saundersian garden, 1869, and at Hamburgh; many specimens.

Tab. 135.—The plant. 1, flower, expanded, front view +; 2, column and bent lip +; 3, flower, side view, sepals and tepals cut +; 4, 5, pollinaria +.

A leafy *Maxillaria*, with rather inconspicuous yellow flowers. It is a plant very free to grow, and placed in a temperate house it will be sure to do well.—W. W. S.

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Ansellia gigantea, Rchb. Fil.

TAB. 136.

Tribe Vandeæ. Genus Ansellia, *Lindl*.

A. GIGANTEA, Echb. f., v. Schlechtendal, Linnaa, xx. 673! Caspitosa, caulibus fusiformibus usque ultra pedalibus, distiche foliatis, foliis cuneato-ligulatis acutis seu obtuse acutis subtus nervis tribus validis, superne nitidis omnino planis, vaginis manifeste nervosis, pedunculo terminali (racemoso, vulgo) paniculato, inferne vaginis scariosis nervosis emaciatis vaginato, imis prope contiguis, superioribus distantibus, panicula nutante, bracteis squamæformibus triangulis ovariis longipedicellatis multo brevioribus, sepalis ligulatis obtuse acutis, tepalis subæqualibus, labelli laciniis lateralibus obtusangulo-rhombeis antrorsis, lacinia media cuneato-obovata retusiuscula, carinis geminis a basi in discum laciniæ anticæ, carina tertia interposita antice breviori, verrucis circumstantibus nullis, columna trigona incurva basi utrinque buccata, buccis sæpius crenulatis, antheræ processu terminali tumido ligulato obtuso.—A. africana, β. natalensis, Hook. Bot. Mag. 4965! A. gigantea, Rchb. f., Xenia, ii. 18! Walp. Ann. i. 784! Flores citrini maculis pallide brunneis in sepalis tepalisque. Labellum pulchre citrinum.

b. Citrina, Rehb. f., Xenia, l. c. Omnino flaviflora, labio pulchre aurantiaco.

When I named this plant, I suspected it might be the Cymbidium giganteum, Sw. I do not think so now, though the question is not settled, since there appears to be now no type of the plant. My friend Dr. Theodor Fries informs me that nothing of the Limodorum giganteum is left in Thunberg's herbarium, and, as far as I know, the Cymbidium giganteum is not to be found in Swartz's collection, nor did I see the Satyrium giganteum, L., in the Linnean collection. I feel almost inclined to believe the plant described by those botanical patriarchs may have been some Lissochilus; but, even if it was rediscovered at Zeekoe-rivier, we have already the celebrated Welwitschian Lissochilus giganteus, so that the specific name could not be restored. So much for the antiquity.

Our authentic plant was discovered August, 1841, at Port Natal, by Gueinzius, the same who was robbed of the discovery of the Stangeria paradoxa. I possess a sketch, in colour, made by him. He reported, and sketched too, that the roots stood all upright, with their ends looking like the nest of a bird. (It is very remarkable that, in our pots, the Angellias send, as far as I know, their roots in the earth, while other plants, as Eriopsis, very often turn them upright.) He found the plant on the upper branches of a tree "having leaves like an elm," and says it is nearly scentless. Much later the plant was imported, living, to England.

Sir William Hooker judged it a local variety of the Ansellia africana. I gladly admit it is very near it; and yet I believe there is a constant difference in the shape of the lateral laciniæ of the lip, the keels, the surface or coating of warts on it, not to speak of the constant difference of colour.

'The genus Ansellia stands between Grammatophyllum and Cymbidium. It differs considerably from the first in the pollen apparatus; less, and yet it appears sufficiently, from the last in the base of the lip.

Cæspitose. Pseudobulbs fusiform, reaching a foot in length, with distichous leaves; leaves cuneate ligulate-acute or bluntly acute, with three strong nerves on the under side, quite even above; sheaths very nervous. Common flower-stalk terminal, with scariose nervous dry sheaths beneath, the under ones close one to another, the upper ones distant, racemose or panicled, generally nodding when fully developed, when not erect. Bracts triangular, exceedingly small, much shorter than the stalked ovaries. Sepals ligulate bluntly acute. Tepals nearly equal. Lip with obtuseangled rhomboid lateral laciniæ, with an antrorse anterior point; middle laciniæ cuneate-obovate, nearly retuse; two keels from the base to the middle disk of the anterior laciniæ, with a very short and small third keel between these two; no warts of any kind around the anterior part of these keels. Column trigonous, bent, with prominent, often crenulate cheeks at its base. Anther with a tumid blunt process.

Materials:—M. Gueinzius's original sketch, and seven specimens of his, and two garden specimens; inspection of fresh flowers of the normal plant and the variety from Consul Schiller's garden.

Tab. 136.—A plant. 1, side view of lip and column +; 2, expanded lip +; 3, column, front view +; 4, 5, pollinia.

This species of Ansellia seems to thrive best in the warm stove when growing, and placed in the temperate stove while at rest. It should be potted in spongy peat and sphagnum with a deep substratum of drainage by crocks. The plant likes to be well raised above the rim of the pot. I received this plant both from Mr. Thomas Cooper, while collecting in South Africa, and from Mr. Plant, who obtained it in Natal.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 137.

Tribe VANDEÆ. Genus CATASETUM, Rich.

- C. LAMINATUM, Lindl., Ann. Nat. Hist. iv. 384! Bot. Reg. XXX. Misc. 40! Lindl. in Benth. Plant. Hartw. 72! Walp. Ann. vi. 573! Pseudobulbis dense approximatis crasso-fusiformibus dense foliatis, foliis inferioribus vaginis, foliis superioribus ad se ex laminigeris, laminis cuneato-oblongo-ligulatis acutis, nervis quinis valde infra prominulis, pseudobulbis vetustis multo incrassatis, spithamæis, multi-annulatis, vestigiis foliorum argenteis vestitis, pedunculo ex infima parte pseudobulbi adhuc foliigeri, ultra pedali, porrecto, vaginis infra paucis scariosis distantibus, superne racemoso brunneo-purpureo, bracteis triangulo-spathaceis quinque-nerviis, ovaria pedicellata longe non mquantibus, ovariis pedicellatis elongatis (ultra duos pollices longis), sepalis ligulatis acutis fornicatis, tepalis latioribus sepalo impari approximatis, labello ligulato pandurato seu oblongo-ligulato cordato acuto, marginibus involutis omnino seu basi tenuiter ciliato, lamella carinata humiliter semioblonga per discum a regione anteapicilari, basi ante ostium calcaris conici bicruri, columna trigona sursum dilatata apice rostrata, setis duabus deflexis bene evolutis juxta foveam impressam, anthera longe rostrata.
- a. Maculatum, Lindl., Sert. t. 38! Sepalis tepalisque intus viridulis maculis atroviolaceo-purpureis innumeris, sepalis extus brunneo-purpureo lavati, labello flavo-viridi maculis brunneis seu obscure viridulis, columna viridi purpureo-maculata.
- b. EBURNEUM, Lindl. l. c. et Bot. Reg. xxvii. 5, fig. 4! Sepalis tepalisque viridulis, labello eburneo.

The Cataseta are by no means the pets of collectors of dried specimens. I possess this one from Mexico: Oaxaca, Karwinski! Mountains Tuquila, Hartweg! There were two varieties distinguished by Dr. Lindley. The second appeared at the Garden of the Horticultural Society, no doubt sent by the late Mr. Hartweg.

Pseudobulbs near one another, thickly fusiform, closely covered with leaves, the lower ones simple sheaths, the upper ones (generally six) with cuneate oblong-ligulate acute laminæ, having five nerves well developed underneath. The older pseudobulsb

are much thickened, a good span long, many-ringed and with silvery remains of sheaths and leaves. The flower-stalk comes out from the base of the bulb, not generally more than a foot in length, porrect (tending obliquely outside), brownish purplish to green. Bracts triangular-spathaceous, five-nerved, not nearly equalling the stalked ovaries, which are usually more than two inches long. Sepals ligulate-acute, fornicate, the lateral ones usually spread downwards. Tepals broader, near the odd sepal. Lip ligulate-pandurate or oblong-ligulate, heart-shaped at its base, acute, with inflexed narrow borders, ciliate either altogether or only towards the base. A carinate low nearly half-oblong keel in the longitudinal line of the lip, beginning above its apex and opening into two short shanks near the mouth of the conical spur. Column trigonous, dilated near the stigmatic hollow, with a beak at its end and two deflexed bristles from the sides of the stigmatic hollow. Anther-case with a long beak.

There are two varieties:-

a. MACULATUM, Lindl.—Sepals and tepals green inside, with numberless small dark violet-purplish dots. Sepals with a brownish purplish mark outside. Tepals, on both sides, like the inside of sepals. Lip yellowish green, with brown or dark greenish spots. Column green, with purplish spots. This is the plant figured.

b. EBURNEUM, Lindl.—Sepals and tepals greenish. Lip ivory-like. This appears to have been seen but once, as stated above.

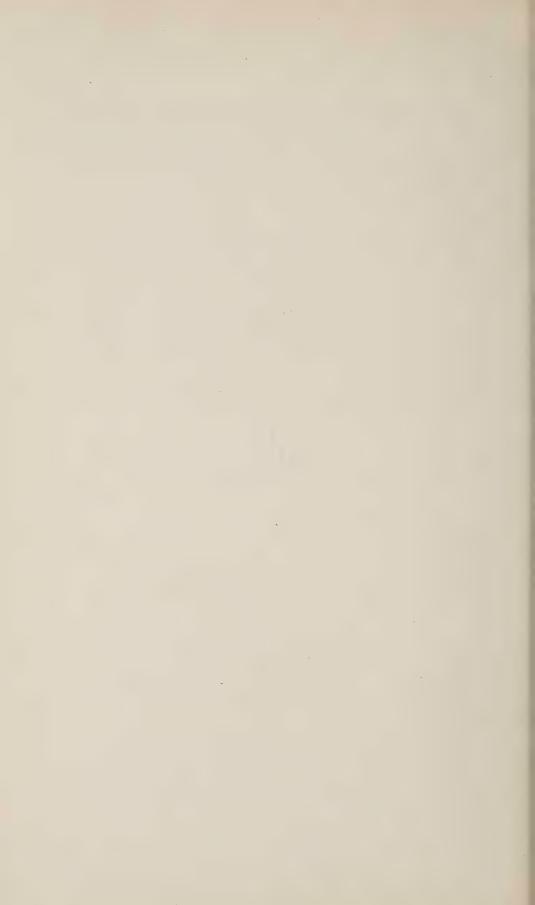
The fourth flower of our plate represents a not uncommon monstrosity, seen sometimes in the genus *Ophrys* (even last spring in *O. ferrum-equinum*, Desf., in the Hamburgh Botanic Garden, flower dried and kept), in *Goodyeras*, &c. In lieu of the lip stands a sepal, and at each lower angle of the column stands a lip. It is, of course, a monstrosity of degradation (declination). The lip is changed into a member of an inferior cycle, *viz.* sepals. The staminodes of the outside whorl of anthers are developed and degraded to lips.

Materials:—Several sketches of fresh flowers; description of the living plant in the Saundersian garden, 1868; inspection of Dr. Lindley's typical specimens; Lindleyan types in my herbarium; seven herbarium specimens. My garden specimens came from Consul Schiller and W. Wilson Saunders, Esq.

Tab. 137.—The plant, the very grand flower-stalk, showing a curious flower with four sepals, two tepals, two lips.

Obs.—It is necessary to correct on Tab. 83 the name to Catasetum discolor, Lindl., var. fimbriatum, Rchb. f. MS., in lieu of the quite inexplicable C. discolor, Lindl., C. fimbriatum, Rchb. f. —H. G. R. f.

I take a particular interest in the species of the genus Catasetum, and I have a very considerable number of species, almost all of which require the following treatment:—When growing they are placed in a warm and damp stove, rather near the light, and with moderate ventilation. When at rest they are kept nearly dry and cool at the same time. They like to be grown in baskets full of spongy peat and sphagnum, which their peculiar roots will in some species soon cover and present a rounded, interlacing whitish mass, firm and compact. Catasetum laminatum so treated is a very free flowering species, and well worth cultivating from the peculiar form of the flowers, which are produced in long pendant spikes. My specimens came from Mexico, and were supplied to me by Mons. Boucard.—W. W. S.



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TAB. 138.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Epidendrum, Sw.

E. Avicula, Lindl. in Hook. Journ. Bot. iii. 85! 1841. Lindl. Folia, Epidendrum, No. 134! Walp. Ann. vi. 360! Rhizomate valido viridi multi-articulato polyrrhizo scandente seu repente, radicibus adventitiis filiformibus flexuosis nunc ramosis, torulosis, multiflexis, pseudobulbis subdistantibus ovoideis, vix ancipitibus, nunc subtetragonis, defoliatis incrassatis, vaginis baseos triangulis acutis, foliis evolutis ternis seu quaternis laminis ligulatis apiculatis, seu cuneato-ligulatis acutis, seu cordato-triangulis acutis inferne carinatis, pseudobulbis junioribus teretibus, vaginis atrobrunneis, pseudobulbis adultis cicatricibus foliorum demum obscuris, pedunculo racemoso seu paniculato, cum bracteis (extus), ovariis pedicellatis et sepalis (extus) albido-velutinis, papillis simplicibus tubulosis (fig. 11), squamis in basi pedunculi nunc paucis bracteæformibus evolutis, nunc nullis, bracteis triangulis trinerviis scariosis, ovariis pedicellatis multo brevioribus, usque dimidia ovaria pedicellata æquantibus, sepalis triangulis acuminatis, lateralibus ima basi connatis, tepalis lineari-lanceis uninerviis, labello cuneato rhombeo acuminato utrinque obtusangulo, venis ternis mediis a basi in medium incrassatis, denticulo utringue in basi confluente superaddito, columna trigona subcompressa, androclinio ascendente rostello semiannulato, fovea semilunari, anthera depressa, loculis oblique superpositis. Sepala intus et extus hyalino-cuprea. Tepala, labellum et columna viridiflava seu virida. Alabastra mire cum ovaria angulata avis caput simulantia, ill. Lindley forsan nomen dederunt (fig. 1).

The discovery of this pretty plant appears to have been made by the late Gardner! so early as 1838. It is indicated by Dr. Lindley, on Gardner's account: Organ Mountains, forming dense tufts on the stems and branches of trees, April, 625. From a memorandum in my herbarium it would also appear to have been gathered by Gardner near Pernambuco. I am, however, not sure of the authority. All the Gardnerian specimens I have seen or possess are mere miserable dwarfs, when compared to the beautiful specimens: Minas Geraës, Regnell! The plant appeared some years ago both in the gardens of W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., and

J. Day, Esq. We have also imported a large mass last year at the Hamburgh Botanic Garden.

Rhizome stout, green, with many articulations, and many roots scandent or creeping. Adventitious roots filiform, flexuose, sometimes branched, torulose, much bent. Pseudobulbs at small intervals, ovoid, scarcely ancipitous, sometimes subtetragonous. very much thickened when destitute of leaves; sheaths of lower part triangular-acute. Developed leaves three or four, with ligulate-apiculate or cuneate-ligulate acute, or cordate-triangular blades, the line of the middle nerve keeled on the under side. Younger pseudobulbs terete, with brownish sheaths; older pseudobulbs finally with very obscure marks of the fallen leaves. Flowerstalk racemose or paniculate, equally whitish velvety from simple tubular papillæ (fig. 11), like the bracts outside, the stalked ovaries, and the sepals (outside). Either some bract-like sheaths at the base or none. Bracts triangular, three-nerved, scariose, much shorter than the pedicellate ovaries, or reaching over half their length. Sepals triangular-acuminate, the lateral ones connate at their base. Tepals linear-lanceolate, one-nerved. Lip cuneaterhomboid acuminate, obtuse-angled on both sides, the three middle veins thick from the very base to the disk of the dilated part, confluent at the very base, and having there at each side a small tooth. Column trigonous, a little compressed. Androclinium ascending. Rostellum semilunate. Stigmatic hollow semilunate. Anther depressed, with the locelli oblique. Sepals outside coppercoloured, inside the same, or more greenish, or totally green. Tepals, lip and column greenish yellow. The buds are bent in a queer manner with the ovary, and have, no doubt, suggested to the late Dr. Lindley the name of "Avicula," they having a remarkable likeness to a bird's head with a long neck.

Materials:—Living plants observed in the Saundersian, Dayan and Hamburgh Botanic Gardens; inspection of Dr. Lindley's type; description from living plant at Reigate, 1868, and from fresh specimens at various times; seven herbarium specimens.

Tab. 138.—A plant. I possess a specimen with a much better developed panicle. The branches of the panicle would appear always to ascend in the flowering state, and to be divaricate in the bud state. 1, a bud, with part of rhachis +; 2, flower, front view +; 3, flower, with part of rhachis, side view +; 4, back view of flower +; 5, lip, free from column +; 6, column, side view +; 7, column, front view +; 8, anther, seen internally, to show the

oblique position of the locelli +; 9, 10, pollinaria +; 11, two papillæ, which form the grey cover to the peduncle, bracts, stalked ovaries, sepals (outside) + (highly magnified).

This *Epidendrum* was sent to me from Brazil by the late Mr. D. Bowman. It is a pretty little species, producing its flowers freely when placed in the temperate stove and grown upon a block near the light.—W. W. S.

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Epidendrum nov chinense, Rchb Fil.

TAB. 139.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Epidendrum, Sw.

E. NON-CHINENSE, Rehb. f. in Walp. Ann. vi. 324! Beitr. Orch. Centr. Am. p. 103! Radicibus adventitiis flexuoso-filiformibus, pseudobulbis aggregatis fusiformibus plurifoliis, vaginis ampliusculis nervosis, laminis cuneato-ligulatis acutis hysterochronicis, pedunculo terminali longius exserto usque ultra pedali, vaginis scariosis nervosis acutis demum emaciatis onusto, apice racemoso seu paniculato, bracteis scariosis plurinerviis triangulis acutis ovaria pedicellata subæquantibus seu eisdem (præcipue in plantu culta) multo brevioribus, ovarii caniculo longe adnato, sepalis ligulatis acutis, tepalis paulo latioribus, labello cuneatooblongo seu ovato seu acuto, integerrimo seu antice crenulato, nunc trilobulo cucullato, carinis in basi geminis humilibus semiligulatis, venis ternis medianis nunc valde approximatis nunc distantibus squamuligeris, venulis lateralibus hinc ramosis ramentaceis, columna semitereti juxta foveam dilatata apice trifida, lacinia postica lineari. Flores candidi. Labellum sulphureum, venulis lateralibus brunneo tinctis. Columna alba, antice sulphurea. Anthera rubido-purpurea. — Broughtonia chinensis, Lindl.! Hook. Lond. Journ. 1842, p. 492! Laeliopsis chinensis, Lindl.! Paxt. Fl. Garden, iii. 105!

This plant has an uncommon mysterious history. It was introduced to Science with the following remarks by our excellent Dr. Lindley, nearly thirty years ago:—"It is perhaps not very surprising that an American genus should occur upon one of the most westerly* points of Asia; yet it is a circumstance so striking as to demand strict investigation before it can be accepted as correct. It does not, however, appear possible to doubt it in the case of the *Broughtonia*, which, although in an indifferent state of preservation, indicates all the main features of the genus to which I have referred it. It is unquestionably Epidendreous, as is distinctly shown by its well-preserved pollen-masses. The only doubt that I entertain respecting it is whether to place it in *Barkeria* or *Broughtonia*. The habit is more that of the former than of the latter; but it has the adnate spur belonging to the

^{* &}quot;Westerly," a mistake for "easterly"?

labellum of *Broughtonia*, and it has not, as far as I can discover, the peculiarly deflexed dorsal sepal of *Barkeria*. Its lip, too, is distinctly cucullate, after the manner of a *Laelia*." It had been given to Dr. Lindley by Mr. Hinds, among plants collected near Hong Kong.

Thus matters stood till the autumn of 1856. It was remarkable that no one had seen the plant again. Neither Major J. G. Champion, nor Mr. Hance had seen it. "The Lacliopsis chinensis, Lindl., described from Mr. Hinds' specimens, is not among Major Champion's plants." At that period I studied carefully Dr. Lindley's Orchid collection, and when I found the Lacliopsis I could not help laughing very heartily, not altogether to Dr. Lindley's full satisfaction. I had obtained the American plant at several periods-I was very sure of the fact; and Mr. Hinds, too, having collected plants in Central America, it was much to be wondered at that such an acute observer as Dr. Lindley had not immediately suspected some confusion. When Dr. Lindley described his Epidendrum nævosum (Epidendrum, Folia, No. 6) he spoke of the fresh plant; "a plant that flowered some years since with Mrs. Lawrence had white sepals and tepals, a crimson anther, and a yellow lip, richly dotted with crimson." Now there is in the Lindleyan herbarium, no doubt from Miss Drake, a frontispiece painted, only differing a little in the very sharp angles of the column, added to the true specimens of E. nævosum from Galeotti; and that is, no doubt, once more the E. non-chinense, with a very cordate-triangular acute lip. I have but once seen the true E. nævosum alive, from Mr. Borsig's garden at Moabit, near Berlin; that has whitish flowers, with a somewhat rosy hue.

There is but little doubt that the plant was originally found near Veraguas by Mr. Hinds. My specimens come from Mexico, Schiede! Costa Rica: Ojo de Agua, Dec. 1855, Dr. Carl Hoffmann! Guatemala, Dr. Bernoulli! It has also been gathered near Chontales by Friedrichsthal! (Museum of Vienna!), who observed it on sterile stony places. He says it is called "Cebollin," and the stems give a certain gum.

Adventitious roots filiform, flexuose, very unequal in extent in various specimens. Pseudobulbs close together, as in Dendrobium crassinode, stalked, fusiform, with several leaves. Sheaths generally wide, nervous. Leaf-blade cuneate, ligulate, acute, the lower ones falling off early, all distant. Flower-stalk terminal,

more than a foot long, with many nervous scariose acute sheaths, which wither early. Inflorescence racemose, or even panicled with a few side-branches. Bracts scariose triangular acute, manynerved, as long as the stalked ovaries, or much shorter, especially in the garden-plant. Ovary with a long thin adnate spur. Sepals ligulate-acute. Tepals a little broader. Lip cuneate-oblong or ovate-acute, perfectly entire or a little crenulate, also obscurely three-lobed, cucullate, with two small keels at its base running into two nerves, and with the third central nerve covered with small wartish lobules; lateral veinlets with ramentaceous erect membranes. Column half-terete, wider near the stigmatic hollow, trifid at its apex, the posterior lacinia linear. Flowers white. Lip sulphur-colour, with brownish purple radiating streaks on the veinlets. Column white, sulphur-colour under the stigmatic hollow. Anther-case brownish purple. The dried flowers have brownish pallid sepals and petals, and the lip has a purplish hue.

There are several species, near to one another, which would stand very well with old *Epidendrum Skinneri*, Bat., if they had no free column. *E. nævosum*, Lindl.! is immediately recognized by its rounded *goitre* at the base of the lip. I have it in nine specimens: Oaxaca, Karwinski! Galeotti! two garden specimens. Dr. Lindley having written in his diagnosis "cuniculo ventricoso," we must keep his name. *E. non-chinense* has a long adnate spur.

A third unpublished species is this:-

Epidendrum strophinx. Pseudobulbis fusiformibus plurivaginatis, pedunculo elongato dense vaginato, racemo plurifloro, bracteis triangulis acutis plurinerviis, ovariis pedicellatis duplo brevioribus, cuniculo adnato apice valde ampliato, non ventricoso, sepalis tepalisque ligulatis acuminatis, labello cuneato-oblongo acuto, callo in basi depresso in venas tres medianas ramentaceas exeunte, venulis lateralibus omnibus muticis.

It had small rosy flowers, like those of E. non-chinense, the lip pallid, lateral veinlets purplish, ramentaceous part of lip yellow. It was said to come from Guatemala with a "Barkeria" spectabilis, and flowered about 1860 in Consul Schiller's garden. It died long since, and my sketches and one inflorescence are all that is left in Europe, to my knowledge.

Materials:—A careful copy of Dr. Lindley's herbarium specimen and of his analytical sketch; various analytical sketches made by me from the dried Mexican, Guatemalan and Chontales

plant, as well as from that which flowered in the Saundersian garden; thirteen herbarium specimens.

Tab. 139.—The plant. 1, side view of flower +; 2, the same, sepals and tepals cut; 3, front view of column and lip +; 4, expanded lip +; 5, the same +; 6, side view of column +; 7, pollinaria +; 8, side view of same +.

Another small and interesting *Epidendrum*, with a prettily spotted lip. I obtained my specimens from my late friend G. A. Skinner, who received them from Guatemala. It requires cool treatment, and should be grown upon a block, and kept moderately dry during the winter season.—W. W. S.

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Epidendrum globosum. Jacq

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TAB. 140.

Tribe Epidendreæ. Genus Epidendrum, Sw.

E. GLOBOSUM, Jacq. Am. 222, t. 133, f. 1! Radicibus adventitis filiformibus multiflexis, caulibus dense congestis distiche foliatis, vaginis arctis oblique decisis jam ab initio minute plicatulis, dein brunneis pruinatis costatis, costis valde rugosis, foliis lineari-subulatis semiteretibus apiculatis, transsectione subcordiformibus viridibus, junioribus flavo-viridibus, adultioribus prasinis, multis foveolis impressis, pedunculis terminalibus solitariis seu paucis congestis parvi-vaginatis, floribus deflexis, bracteis ovaria longe non æquantibus cuniculo obtusangulo, sepalis ligulatis obtuse acutis, lateralibus obscure supra nervum medium carinatis, tepalis ligulato-rhombeis obtusangulis, labello pandurato in apiculo obtuso, omnino lævi, columna trigona libera sursum ampliata.—Cymbidium globosum, Sw., Fl. Ind. Occ. 1467! Isochilus globosum, Lindl. Gen. & Sp. Orch. 112! Flores flavidi, hinc rubro aspersi.

It was indicated first at Martinique, by Jacquin, whence I have specimens from Madame Richard, née Rivoire! Trinidad, Sieber! Guadeloupe, Mont du Souffre, Duchassaing! St. Kitts, crater of Mount Miseri, Bruetel! Jamaica, Mount Carmel, Wullschlaegel! Cuba, Wright! "Ind. Occ.," Ryan! I never heard of the plant being in any European garden, except in the Saundersian.

I have also a certain plant much like it: Pearl Key Lagoon on Palma Mosquito. I am, however, at a loss to understand whether it is this, or another one, since I have no flowers.

A species much like this may be described thus:-

Epidendrum Leucomelanum. Caulibus tenuibus cæspitosis, vaginis striatis, foliis subcylindraceis obtusis abbreviatis, inflorescentia terminali capitata parva, vaginis nervosis triangulis, 2—3 stipatis, bracteis hyalinis, ovariis pedicellatis, cuniculo subnullo, sepalis oblongis obtusis, tepalis linearibus obtuse acutis, labello libero calceolari antice utrinque angulato, in processum brevem carnosum acutum anticum extenso.—Mexico, Schiede! Liebmann!

As to systematic position, it is a little difficult. That the plant has nothing to do with *Isochilus* is quite evident. Now it is one

of those members of the distichous *Epidendra* which have free labella,—a section I once called *Amblostoma*,—which must also receive the so-called *Barkerias*. My private opinion is, that *Epidendra* must be resolved into many natural smaller groups. I began to do so with very good success in my herbarium, and will try to explain those groups in my General Monograph, which would have been, perhaps, already published if I had found sincere assistance at certain places.

Adventitious roots filiform, much bent. Stems crowded, with distichous leaves. Sheaths narrow, obliquely cut, with many small transverse folds, then brown, geminate, ribbed; ribs very rugose. Leaves linear-subulate, semiterete, apiculate, nearly cordiform in the transsection, green, in first youth yellow-green, later leek-green, with many impressed groves. Flower-stalks terminal, solitary or several together, with a few sheaths, very short and small, bent over. Bracts triangular, not nearly equalling the stalked ovaries. A little goitre at the top of the ovary. Sepals ligulate bluntly acute, lateral ones with an obscure keel over the middle nerve. Tepals ligulate-rhomboid, obtuse-angled. Lip pandurate, with a blunt apiculus, quite even. Column trigonous, free, broader above.

Materials:—Description of the living Saundersian plant, 1868; inspection of a type of Swartz's in Osbeck's herbarium, and of Dr. Lindley's types; my own rich materials quoted above; my sketches, but from dried flowers only.

Tab. 140.—A plant. 1, 2, 3, three summits of stems in flower, or fruit (3); 4, flower, sepals cut +; 5, lip and column +; 6, column and lip +; 7, expanded lip +; 8, column, front view +; 9, 10, pollinaria +.

A very unpretending member of the large genus *Epidendrum*, which with me grows slowly and seems wanting in vigour, although it flowers pretty freely. It seems to do best in the temperate house, grown upon a block. My specimens came from Trinidad, and were sent to me by Mr. Hance.—W. W. S.



Pleurothallis longissima, Lindl.

TAB. 141.

Tribe Malaxideæ. Genus Pleurothallis, R. Br.

P. Longissima, Lindl., Folia Orchidacea, II. Part ix. Pleurothallis, No. 182, p. 31.—Cæspitosa, radicibus adventitiis filiformibus multiflexis densis, rhizomate prorepente validissimo, caulibus teretiusculis sulcatis abbreviatis, ima basi plurivaginatis, vagina una arctiore elongata sub folio, folio cuneato obovato apice obtusato minute tridentato constricto, valde valido, pedunculo folium longe excedente, basi spatha una ligulata acuta ancipiti ochracea, vaginis fatuis brevibus paucis, racemo secundifloro disticho elongato nunc subnutante, bracteis ochreatis apice oblique retusis uninerviis, ovariis pedicellatis exsertis, sepalo dorsali triangulo fornicato trinervi, tepalo inferiori oblongo apice simpliciter acuto seu bidentato, nervis duobus validis lateralibus, tepalis oblongo-triangulis trinerviis nunc acutis apicem versus serrulatis, labello pandurato obtuse acuto, lateribus baseos erectis, nervis ternis apice clavatis, omnibus ante apicem evanidis, columna clavato-trigona, androclinii limbo vulgo tridentato, rostello triangulo deflexo, fovea subrotunda.—Pleurothallis racemiflora, Lindl. in Hook. Exot. Fl. ii. t. 123! Lodd, Bot. Cab. 949! Lindl, Gen. & Sp. Orch. p. 6, excl. citat. Swartzianis! Flores virides demum flavovirides.

This Pleurothallis was formerly common in German gardens, and is even now kept at some places. It was thought to be the Dendrobium racemiflorum of Swartz, which is immediately distinguished by the petiolar base of the leaf. It was, however, only in 1859 that the old error was corrected by Dr. Lindley himself. The reason may have been that what I believe to be the solitary Swartzian type in German herbaria, Willdenow's No. 16,896, was signed "Humboldt." Now the paper to which it is fastened corresponds to that to which the other Swartzian types are gummed, and, from my sketch, I believe the plant agrees altogether with Swartz's types, kept at Stockholm, just now at my side. I have suspected the mistake since 1846; I could, however, not make use of my opinions until I had more positive proofs. The habitat of P. longissima was unknown to Dr. Lindley when he described the plant: "I have nowhere found wild specimens of this, and much

question its inhabiting Jamaica." My numerous wild specimens come from Jamaica, Mexico and Costa Rica: Jamaica, Gilbert MacNab! Oaxaca, Mexico, Karwinski! Carthago, Catharina, Costa Rica, Oersted! San Jose de Costa Rica, Carmiol!

Cæspitose. Adventitious roots filiform, much bent, dense. Rhizome creeping, very strong. Secondary stems nearly terete, sulcate, short, with some short sheaths at their very base, a longer one beneath the leaf. Leaf cuneate-obovate, blunt at the apex, minutely and obscurely tridentate. Flower-stalk much longer than the leaf, with a ligulate-acute ancipitous ochraceous sheath at the very base. A few short sheaths beneath the very long inflorescence occupying the greater part of the flower-stalk. Raceme one-sided, distichous. Bracts ochreate, obliquely retuse, one-nerved. Pedicelled ovaries exserted. Dorsal sepal triangular, fornicate, three-nerved. Inferior sepal oblong, single, acute, or bidentate, with two strong lateral nerves and some finer ones. Tepals oblong-triangular, three-nerved, generally blunt, sometimes very acute, also with serrate borders towards the apex. Lip pandurate, bluntly acute, with erect basilar borders (auriculæ), three-nerved, the nerves never reaching the apex, ending in clavate points. Column clavate-trigonous. Borders of androclinium with a membrane, generally tridentate. Rostellum triangular, bent over the roundish fovea. Flowers green, finally yellowish green.

Materials:—Inspection of Dr. Lindley's types; sketches of fresh flowers made on various occasions; fifteen herbarium specimens.

Tab. 141.—The plant. 1, flower, with part of rhachis and bract +; 2, flower, front view +; 3, column and lip, side view +.

Except to the botanist, the species of *Pleurothallis* have but little interest, and have often been called weeds not worthy of cultivation. I must confess to a lively interest in these outcasts, some of which are really beautiful when well-grown; and the one now under consideration is deserving of favour, producing long and elegant stripes of yellow-green flowers, and having thick dark green glossy leaves. The figure is from a plant which flowered in the Royal collection at Kew.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 142.

Tribe Malaxideæ. Genus Pleurothallis, R. Br.

P. CILIATA, Knowle & Westcott, Floral Cab. t. 19! Lindl. B. Reg. xxvi. Misc. 41! Lindl. Folia, II., ix. Pleur. No. 140, p. 24! Caulibus secundariis dense cæspitosis, radicibus tenuissimis inflexis, caulibus basi vaginis duabus seu ternis ancipitibus apice triangulis brunneis nervosis, intermedio foliifero elongato, linea anteriori canaliculato subtrigono, folii lamina cuneato-oblonga acuta apice minute tridentata, vagina ancipiti acuminata, pedunculo porrecto subcompresso folium subæquante, racemo subdisticho, bracteis ochreatis acutis ovariis pedicellatis multo minoribus, perigonio externo carnoso coriaceo bilabiato, sepalo superiori lineari-ligulato acuto, sepalo inferiori apice acuto seu bidentato oblongo-ligulato, bene latiori, ima basi angulato gibboso, tepalis multo minoribus lanceolatis acuminatis ciliatis. labello tepalis subæquilongo, oblongo, utrinque ante basin angulato, ceterum ligulato, antice ciliato, carina carnosa triangula utrinque a basi in discum, columna gracili trigona, androclinio quinquedentato, rostello transverso supra foveam, anthera gibba. Flores aurantiaci, labello magis ochraceorubro.

The plant was collected by Mr. Henchman on the Masseromi river in Demerara, and sent to the Willmorian garden. Finally, it re-appeared in the Saundersian garden, coming from Rio Salween. I never saw a wild specimen, to my knowledge.

Secondary stems close together. Roots very slender and much bent. Stems with two or three sheaths, the upper one the longest, all brown, nervous, triangular at their open end. The internode from the highest sheath to the leaf longer, canaliculate, nearly trigonous. Leaf cuneate-oblong acute, minutely tridendate. Sheath of inflorescence ancipitous, acuminate. Flower-stalk bent forwards, somewhat compressed, as long as the leaf. Raceme nearly distichous. Bracts ochreate acute, much shorter than the pedicellate ovaries. Sepals leathery to fleshy; the upper one linear-ligulate acute; the lower acute or bidentate, oblong-ligulate, much broader, angular-gibbous at its base. Tepals much smaller, lanceolate-acuminate, ciliated. Lip as long as

tepals, oblong, with an angular tooth on both sides, ciliated towards and at the apex, a fleshy triangular keel on both sides from the base to the disk. Column slender, trigonous; androclinium with a five-toothed membranous border; rostellum transverse above the stigmatic hollow; anther gibbous. Flowers orange, the lip more ochraceous-red.

Materials:—Sketch and description from the living plant in the Saundersian garden; inspection of Dr. Lindley's herbarium; one specimen in my herbarium.

Tab. 142.—Plant. 1, flower and part of spindle +; 2, flower, front view +; 3, flower, oblique back view +; 4, flower, sepals and tepals cut +; 5, the same, sepals cut +; 6, lip +; 7, column, side view +. The figures 6 and 7 given by Professor Reichenbach, who did not see the keels of the lip crenulate, as represented by the artist.

This *Pleurothallis*, with lovely yellow flowers, came from the Salween, and was supplied to me by Mr. Bartlett. It should be grown on a block, in the warm part of the temperate house, with a little moss.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 143.

Tribe Malaxideæ. Genus Dendrobium, Sw.

D. BICAMERATUM, Lindl. Bot. Reg. xxv. 1839, Misc. 85. Walp. Ann. vi. 299! Pseudobulbis congestis fusiformibus, junioribus foliigeris, laminis cuneato-oblongis acutis apice bidentatis tenuibus, siccis pergamaneo-membranaceis, racemis in pseudobulbis adultis aphyllis lateralibus, paucifioris parvifioris, bracteis triangulis obtusis ovaria pedicellata aquantibus, mento obtusangulo, sepalo dorsali ovali fornicato subacuto, sepalis lateralibus triangulis, tepalis late ligulatis usque ovatis acutis, labello cuneato-dilatato trifido, laciniis lateralibus triangulis porrectis, lacinia media transversa ovata acuta seu retusiuscula, columna apice tridendata, basi antica usque infra foveam foveis duabus parallelis, carina angusta separatis, anthera gibba calva.—
Dendrobium breviflorum, Lindl. Contrib. Orchid. of India, No. II. p. 14, No. 14. Flores flavidi, lineis punctisque purpureis.

Mr. Gibson brought this *Dendrobium*, probably from the Khasya Hills, to the Duke of Devonshire's garden, where it flowered as early as 1839. I have obtained it from Consul Schiller's garden and from Mr. Low. My wild specimen was gathered in Eastern Himalaya, 2000 feet, July, Mann! I have scarcely any doubt left that I am fully entitled to reduce the *Dendrobium breviflorum* (Singapore? Loddiges) to the *D. bicameratum*. I explain the mistake from Dr. Lindley's having described the *D. bicameratum* as what it is, a *Stachyobium*, and having taken the *D. breviflorum*, by an oversight, for an *Eudendrobium*. I must add that I have a strong suspicion that the apex of the lip was shrivelled or broken when the representation in Dr. Lindley's herbarium was prepared.

Pseudobulbs near one another, fusiform, the younger bearing leaves with cuneate-oblong acute bidentate thin laminæ, which are paper-like when dried. The flowers stand on the older leafless pseudobulbs in lateral, small, short, few-flowered racemes. Bracts triangular-obtuse, as long as the stalked ovaries. Chin obtuse-angled. Dorsal sepal ovate subacute fornicate; lateral sepals triangular. Tepals broadly ligulate or ovate-acute. Lip cuneate, the widened part trifid; lateral laciniæ triangular or uncinate

spreading; middle laciniæ transverse ovate-acute or nearly retus e Column short, stout, tridentate at its apex, with two parallel long cells on its anterior side beneath the stigmatic hollow. Flowers yellow, with purplish spots and streaks. Lip wholly yellow.

Materials:—Two sketches from fresh flowers; description from fresh flowers; three herbarium specimens; inspection of the types.

Tab. 143.—Plant. 1, side view of flower +; 2, flower, front view +; 3, side view of flower, sepals and tepals cut +; 4, lip, oblique view +; 5, column, front view +; 6, 7, pollinia +.

This remarkable species of *Dendrobium* is figured from a plant which flowered in the collection of the Royal Horticultural Society at South Kensington.—W. W. S.

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TAB. 144.

Tribe MALAXIDEÆ. Genus Dendrobium, Sw.

D. PEGUANUM, Lindl. Contrib. Orch. Ind., II. Dendrobium, p. 19, No. 140! (Proc. Linn. Soc., Aug. 1858!) Pseudobulbis pyriformibus tumidis articulatis vaginatis, vaginis emaciatis nitidis, superioribus geminis seu ternis laminigeris, laminis cuneatoligulatis acutis carnosulis, costa inferiori omnino obtusangula, radicibus adventitiis in ima basi tenuissime filiformibus, inflorescentia congesto-capitata racemosa (terminali et) laterali abbreviata congesta, bracteis triangulis scariosis uninerviis ovariis pedicellatis subæqualibus, mento acutangulo longiore seu breviore nunc apice incrassato extinctoriiformi, sepalo impari ligulato acuminato dorso obtuse carinato, sepalis lateralibus triangulo-falcatis æquilongis basi mentali productis, tepalis cuneato-spatulatis apice inæqualiter acutis acuminatisve, bene longioribus, labello cuneato-triangulo apice trilobo, lobis lateralibus obtusangulis rectangulis, lobo antico triangulo acuto seu acuminato plicato crispato producto, callo depresso lineari a basi usque versus basin lobi antici, ibi abrupto, retuso cum apiculo, seu retuso medio unicarinato, seu omnino retuso sine carinula mediana, columna clavata, androclinio vario (tridentato dentibus lateralibus obtusis crenulatis, tridentato omnibus dentibus argutis, dente medio pulchre tridentato, æqualiter minute quinquedentato), fovea stigmatica oblonga, fovea altera sub illa impressa, angulo utrinque in basi supra unguem mentalem, anthera obtusa emarginata nunc cum parvo apiculo in sinu. Dorsum menti viride. Sepala et tepala candida. Labellum luride et pallide olivaceum, venis purpureo-violaceis. Callus antice violaceo-purpureo prætextus. Anthera amethystina, punctis plurimis albidis. Columna albida, punctulis plurimis purpureo-violaceis antice. Pollinia arcte cohærentia.

This species appears to have been discovered in Pegu by Mr. M'Lelland! who sent it to Sir William Hooker, who gave, in his liberal manner, specimens to the monographers. It was found in the same neighbourhood by the Rev. C. S. R. Parish near Moulmein! and the living plant, which flowered several times in the Saundersian collection, may have been sent by him. Quite the

same plant was sent by T. Lobb! and announced by Messrs. Veitch as coming from Borneo. Since T. Lobb collected likewise to Burmah, a mistake may have happened.

Pseudobulbs pyriform, tumid, articulate, with sheaths; the lower sheaths emaciate, shining in the flowering plant; the two or three standing uppermost have fleshy cuneate-ligulate blades, with an obtuse-angled middle rib on the outside. Adventitious roots only basilar, very slender, filiform. Racemose inflorescence usually lateral, but occurs also terminal, even in the actual presence of the leaves, though these appear oftener falling off before the expansion of the flowers. Raceme very dense-flowered and very short, nearly capitate. Bracts triangular, scariose, one-nerved, equal to the pedicelled ovaries. Chin acute-angled, very variable in its length. sometimes clavate at its apex, sometimes extinguisher-shaped. Upper sepal ligulate-acuminate, with a blunt keel above its midrib outside; lateral sepals triangular-falcate, just as long, extended for the formation of the chin at their base. Tepals cuneatespathulate, unequally acute or acuminate, longer than the sepals in the manner of some Ceratobia. Lip cuneate-triangular, threelobed at its apex; lateral lobes obtuse-angled, rectangular; anterior lobe triangular, acute or acuminate, longer than the lateral lobes. undulated; a linear callus with elevated borders runs from the base of the lip towards the base of the anterior lobe, where it occurs either abrupt with a transverse ridge, or tridentate, a small short keel running from the middle tooth to the inner surface, or retuse with a small apiculus. Column clavate, being singularly variable in the borders of the androclinium, it being tridentate, with blunt crenulate lateral teeth, or tridentate with the central tooth having two small lateral teeth below its apex, or equally quinquedentate. Stigmatic hollow oblong, having a second excavation below. There is an angle at each side at the very base just where the claw of the column descends for the formation of the chin. Anther obtuse-emarginate, sometimes with a small apiculus in the sinus. The back of the chin is green. Sepals and tepals white. Lip olive, with purplish violet veins. The anterior border of the callus is violet-purple. The anther is amethyst-coloured, with very numerous very small white dots. The anterior border of the callus is violet-purple. The column is whitish, with many small purplish violet dots on the inner side. The pollinia are strongly coherent. The plant has the habit of some Erias.

Materials:—Inspection of Dr. Lindley's materials; description of the living Saundersian plant; analytical sketches from fresh flowers, made at various times; dissection of flowers sent by Messrs. M'Lelland, Parish, and Lobb; six herbarium specimens.

Tab. 144.—Plant. 1, a flower, side view, with an unusually blunt chin +; 2, flower, front view +; 3, flower, side view, sepals and tepals cut +; 4, lip, with an acute callus such as I never saw +; 5, column, front view +; 6, 7, pollinia +.

This plant I obtained at one of the Messrs. Stevens' Orchid sales: it was said to be from Moolmein. It should be grown in the warm stove placed on a block with a little green moss, and kept in the shade and damp while growing. When at rest it should be kept moderately dry.—W. W. S.

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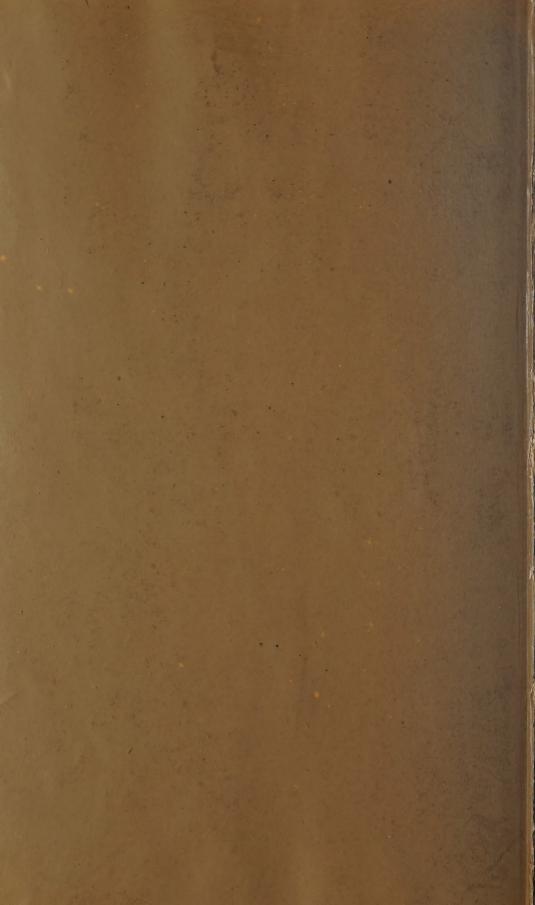
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